

2018 Annual Town Report



Town of Belchertown

2018

Annual Town Report
of the Town Officers



for the
Town of Belchertown

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ON THE COVER: Nate Shattuck captured a photo at the Winter Festival (November 24, 2018) of two children admiring the Town's large spruce tree lit for the holiday season.

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2018 ELECTED OFFICERS

Almoners - Whiting Street and Susan M.D. Bridgman Funds

Paul Anziano	5/2019
Linda Tsoumas	5/2019

Trustees – Calvin Bridgman Fund

Mary Olberding	5/2019
Nicole J. Dunham	5/2020
Kenneth H. Snow	5/2021

Councilor-Hampshire Council of Governments

William R. Barnett	5/2019
Kyle Vincent	5/2019

Board of Assessors

Raymond G. Goff	5/2019
Thomas A. Barry	5/2020
Donald L. Minney	5/2021

Board of Health

Andrew Drawec	5/2019
Gary R. Racicot (<i>Deceased 7/28/18</i>)	5/2019
Dana Burton	5/2020
Hope V.H. Guardenier	5/2020
Roger M. Bonsall	5/2021

Housing Authority

Marie Ciosek	5/2019
Nancy Delgado Bachmann	5/2020
Judith O'Kulsky	5/2021
Vacant (State Mbr)	

Moderator

Joseph D. Bernard	5/2020
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Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District Committee Members

Lorraine F. Alves	11/2022
Francesco Dell'Olio	11/2020

Planning Board

James J. Natle	5/2019
Justin Rosienski (<i>appt. 8/27/18</i>)	5/2019
Michael A. Hofler	5/2020
Daniel R. Beaudette	5/2021
Louis Faassen	5/2023
Sierra Pelletier	5/2022
(<i>resigned eff. 8/1/2018</i>)	

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School Committee

Myndi B. Bogdanovich	5/2019
(<i>resigned 3/9/2018</i>)	
Diane O. Brown	5/2019
Heidi G. Gutekenst	5/2020
Michael J. Knapp	5/2020
Ruby Bansal	5/2021
Joshua R. Wallace	5/2021

Board of Selectmen

William R. Barnett	5/2019
(<i>resigned 3/13/2018</i>)	
Ronald E. Aponte	5/2018
George D. Archible	5/2019
Edward G. Boscher	5/2019
Brenda Q. Aldrich	5/2020
Gail Gramarossa	5/2021
Nicholas J. O'Connor	5/2021

Town Clerk

Colleen K. Toothill-Berte	5/2021
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2018 APPOINTED OFFICERS

Americans with Disabilities Act Committee

Paul Adzima, Coordinator	Final Report
Max Bock	Final Report
Gary L. Brougham	Final Report
Judith Metcalf	Final Report
Steven J. Williams	Final Report
Ted Bock	Final Report
Robert Lachance	Final Report
Eric LeBeau	Final Report

Agricultural Commission

Leslie Cox-Assoc. Mbr (<i>appt. 1/22/18</i>)(<i>resigned 5/10/18</i>)	6/30/18
Louise Butler-Assoc. Assoc. Mbr (<i>appt. 1/22/18</i>)	6/30/19
Judith Fuller Gillan	6/30/19
Tom Roberts (<i>appt. 1/22/18</i>)	6/30/19
Tammy Ryan- Assoc. Mbr (<i>appt. 1/22/18</i>)	6/30/19
Lori Carver (<i>appt. 1/22/18</i>)	6/30/20
Wil Shattuck	6/30/20
Thomas Hastings (<i>appt. 1/22/18</i>)	6/30/21
Sandra Brougham – Assoc. Mbr	6/30/19

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Animal Control Advisory Board

Angela Gaj (<i>dismissed 3-26-2018</i>)	6/30/18
Jim Luippold	6/30/19
Nicole A. Miner	6/30/19
Brian Breveleri	6/30/20
Carol Kasabian	6/30/20
Audrey Safford	6/30/20
Chrystal Greenleaf	6/30/21
Paul Kopulos	6/30/21

Animal Control Officer

Anna Kuralt-Fenton	4/30/19
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Assistant Animal Control Officer

Lawrence Belbin (<i>resigned 4-12-18</i>)	4/30/18
Wendy LeSage	4/30/19
Janet Lipscomb	4/30/19
Jessica LaBonte (<i>appt 3/26/2018</i>)	4/30/19

Director of Assessments

John G. Whelihan	6/30/19
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BOAT

George Archible - <i>Selectman</i>	6/30/19
Captain Craig Bodamer - <i>Fire-Rescue Dept.</i>	6/30/19
Kimberly Dion - <i>Medical Community</i>	6/30/19
Phyllis Ducomb - <i>School Nurse Leader</i>	6/30/19
Jason Krol - <i>School Resource Officer</i>	6/30/19
Neil Lozier	6/30/19
Judy Metcalf - <i>Board of Health</i>	6/30/19
Kevin Pacunas - <i>Police Dept</i>	6/30/19
Jill Panto	6/30/19
Carrie Latulippe - <i>Public Health Nurse (appt. 9/24/18)</i>	6/30/19

Civil Defense Director

Edward F. Bock	6/30/19
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Belchertown's Community

Emergency Response Coordinator

Edward F. Bock

Western Mass. Regional Local-Emergency Planning Committee Inc.(WMR-LEPC)

Edward F. Bock

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Community Preservation Committee

Leslie Squires - <i>Historical Comm (deceased 1-8-18)</i>	6/30/18
Peg Louraine - <i>At Large Mbr</i>	6/30/19
Megan Manitsas - <i>At Large Mbr</i>	6/30/19
James W. Quirk - <i>Parks & Recreation Rep</i>	6/30/19
Judy Healy - <i>At-Large Mbr. (resigned 12/17/18)</i>	6/30/20
James Natle - <i>Planning Board (appt. At Large Mbr 12/17/18)</i>	6/30/20
Nancy Delgado Bachmann - <i>Housing Authority Rep</i>	6/30/21
Alexander Loss - <i>Historical Commission (appt 1/22/18)</i>	6/30/21
Linda Leduc - <i>At-Large Mbr</i>	6/30/21

Conservation Commission

John Henry (<i>resigned 11/13/18</i>)	6/30/19
Edward T. Knight	6/30/19
David Lamb, Associate Mbr (<i>appt 2-12-18</i>)	6/30/19
Sabrina Moreau (<i>appt 2-12-18</i>)	6/30/20
Eric Wojtowicz	6/30/20
Michael Cavatorta	6/30/21
Jon M. Clements	6/30/21
David M. Haines	6/30/21

Conservation Admin. Screening Cmte

Established 1/22/18 (Disbanded 6/11/18)

Gary Brougham	Final Rpt
David Haines	Final Rpt
John Henry	Final Rpt
Nick O'Connor	Final Rpt
Steven Williams	Final Rpt

Council on Aging

James Dowling	6/30/19
Timothy Niejadlik (<i>appt. 5/29/18</i>)	6/30/19
Robert Farrington	6/30/20
Maura Guzik	6/30/20
Donna M. Bozoglos	6/30/21
Colleen DuroShea (<i>appt. 5/29/18</i>)	6/30/21
Diane Plante	6/30/21

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COA Exec. Dir. Screening Cmte

Established 1/8/18 (Disbanded 6/11/18)

Donna M. Bozoglos	Final Rpt
Gary Brougham	Final Rpt
Robert Farrington	Final Rpt
Maura Guzik	Final Rpt
Raymond Janke	Final Rpt
Christopher Pronovost	Final Rpt
Steven Williams	Final Rpt

Belchertown Cultural Council

Susan Shea (<i>resigned 5/3/18</i>)	6/30/20
Claudia Bermudez (<i>resigned 6/11/18</i>)	6/30/19
Cathy Hews (<i>resigned 5/3/18</i>)	6/30/18
Nicole Carlson (<i>appt. 8/27/18</i>)	6/30/19
Carey Southwick-Fink	6/30/19
Audrey Anderson (<i>appt. 9/24/18</i>)	6/30/20
April Jasak-Bangs (<i>appt. 6/25/18</i>)	6/30/20
Melissa Mann (<i>appt. 9/24/18</i>)	6/30/20
Rachel Martins (<i>resigned 9/10/18</i>)	6/30/20
Jennifer Meighan (<i>resigned 8/27/18</i>)	6/30/20
Jennifer Turner	6/30/20
Heather Benedetti (<i>resigned 8/27/18</i>)	6/30/21
Jocelyn Walker (<i>appt. 9/24/18</i>)	6/30/21
Matt Grillo	6/30/21
Jennifer Whitehead	6/30/21

DIF Committee

Gary Brougham - Town Administrator
 Lisa Banner - Collector-Treasurer
 Douglas Albertson - Planner
 John Whelihan - Assessor

Economic Development & Industrial Corporation (EDIC)

Beth Maroney - Financial Seat	6/30/19
Jonathan Spiegel - At Large Seat	6/30/19
William A. Terry - Govt. Seat	6/30/19
Richard Kump - Real Estate Seat	6/30/20
Robert Rivard - Industrial Seat	6/30/21
Kirk Stephens - At Large Seat	6/30/21

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Fair Committee

Sandra L. Brougham	6/30/18
Bonnie Brouwer	6/30/18
William Austin	6/30/19
Cindy Brown	6/30/19
Kevin Brown	6/30/19
Scott Brown	6/30/19
Carla Chaisson	6/30/19
Wendy Chevalier	6/30/19
Shawn Lindholm	6/30/19
Mark Nute	6/30/19
Cathy A. Terry	6/30/19

Family Center

Roger Allen, Jr.	6/30/19
Nicole Dunham	6/30/19
Debra Lebeau	8/31/20
Elizabeth Crosby	6/30/21
Katrina Staples	6/30/21

Finance Committee

Edward G. Boscher (<i>resigned 5/22/18</i>)	6/30/20
Lynne Raymer	6/30/19
Steven Rose	6/30/19
Ronald E. Aponte (<i>appt 5/30/18</i>)	6/30/20
Melissa Hurst	6/30/20
Laurie Shea	6/30/21

Fire Chief

Edward F. Bock

Forest Fire Warden

Edward F. Bock

Hampshire County

Local Emergency Planning Committee

Edward F. Bock

Hampshire Council of Government's

Electric Cooperative Committee

(Disbanded 6/11/18)

Gary Brougham

Board of Health - Appointments

Burial Agent & Assistant

Colleen Toothill-Berte	6/30/19
Theresa Rothwell - Assistant	6/30/19

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Quabbin Health District

Judy Metcalf – Director of Public Health	6/30/19
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Physician Advisor to Board of Health

David Maguire, MD	6/30/18
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Inspector of Animals

Thomas Flebotte	4/30/19
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Historical Commission

Leslie Squires (<i>Deceased 1/8/18</i>)	6/30/20
Patrick Bierly	6/30/19
Alexander Loss	6/30/20
Bruce Klockars	6/30/20
Kevin Lynn (<i>appt. 5/29/18</i>)	6/30/20
Jill Bierly	6/30/21
Judith Fuller Gillan	6/30/21

Historic District By-law Commission

Anna Szymd - <i>Architect Seat</i>	6/30/18
Thomas Stockton - <i>Resident/Property Owner Mbr.</i>	6/30/19
Irene Mariettos - <i>Real Estate Seat</i>	6/30/20
Denise Smith - <i>Historic Assoc. Seat</i>	6/30/21
Jonathan Spiegel - <i>At-Large Mbr.</i>	6/30/21

Housing Needs and Assessment Committee

(*Disbanded 6/11/18*)

Inspector of Buildings

Paul Adzima	6/30/20
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Assistant Inspector of Buildings

Michael T. Henry	6/30/19
Chris Rice	6/30/19

Inspector of Plumbing and Gas Fittings

David Fredenburgh, Jr.	6/30/19
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Assistant Inspector of Plumbing and Gas Fittings

Christopher A. Hubbard	6/30/18
Charles Lydon, Jr.	6/30/19

Inspector of Wiring

Douglas Rae(<i>resigned 7/5/18</i>)	6/30/18
Richard Rosazza	6/30/19
David Sedelow	6/30/19
Mitchell Staszko	6/30/19

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Lakes Committee

Cathy Leblond, <i>Recreation Rep.</i>	6/30/19
Bonnie Strickland	6/30/19
LeeAnne Connolly – <i>Conservation Rep</i>	6/30/20
Jenicca Gallagher	6/30/20
Kathi Smith	6/30/21

Marijuana Host Agreement Task Force

Created 6/25/18

Daniel Beaudette - <i>Planning Bd. Rep</i>	6/30/19
Gary Brougham - <i>Town Admin.</i>	6/30/19
Gail Gramarossa - <i>BOS Rep</i>	6/30/19
Linda Leduc - <i>At Large Mbr</i>	6/30/19
Judy Metcalf - <i>BOH Rep; Replaced by Dana Burton 7/10/18</i>	6/30/19
Christopher Pronovost - <i>PD rep</i>	6/30/19
John Whelihan - <i>Assessors rep</i>	6/30/19

Memorial Committee

Leslie Squires (<i>Deceased 1/8/18</i>)	6/30/19
George (Archie) Archible	6/30/19
Raymond Janke	6/30/20
William Bowen	6/30/21
Edward T. Knight	6/30/21

Mobile Home Rent Control Board

Thomas Vieu	6/30/18
Donald Minney	6/30/20

Director of Parks & Recreation Search

Committee

(*formed 4/11/2016*)(*Disbanded 6/11/18*)

Dawn French - <i>School Comm</i>	Final Report
Steven Williams – <i>Director of DPW</i>	Final Report
Gary Brougham - <i>Town Admin.</i>	Final Report
William Vosburgh - <i>Recreation Comm.</i>	Final Report
Christopher Shea - <i>Citizen at Large</i>	Final Report
Donna Spraggon - <i>Citizen at Large</i>	Final Report
Paul Anziano - <i>Citizen at Large</i>	Final Report

Parks, Beach & Recreation Committee

Chris Daley	6/30/19
James Wilbur Quirk	6/30/19
Tilo Schiffer	6/30/20
Nancy Kwiatkowski	6/30/21
William Vosburgh	6/30/21

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Parks & Recreation Director

Kyle Thibeault

Patrick Center Re-Use Comm.

(appt 1-11-2016)

Gary Brougham	Final Report
Steven Williams (DPW)	"
Ed Boscher (Finance Cmte) <i>(no longer on committee 9/10/18)</i>	"
Nick O'Connor (Selectman)	"
Chris Daley (Recreation Cmte) <i>(no longer on committee 9/10/18)</i>	"
Kristen Balboni (Family Center Cmte) – At Large Member	"
Michael Knapp (School Cmte)	"
Kristen Balboni (At Large Mbr)	"
Kyle Thibeault (Parks & Rec) <i>(appt. 9/10/18)</i>	Final Report
Lori Allen (Family Center) <i>(appt. 9/10/18)</i>	Final Report
Jill Bierly (Historical Comm) <i>(appt. 9/10/18)</i>	Final Report
Jessica Langlois (COA) <i>(appt. 9/10/18)</i>	Final Report
Jocelyn Walker (Cultural Council) <i>(Appt. 9/24/18)</i>	Final Report

Personnel Board

Noah Pefaur	6/30/19
Michael Otto	6/30/20
Nancy Delgado Bachmann	6/30/21
Katharine Higgins Shea	6/30/21

Town Planner

Douglas Albertson

Planning Board

Alternate Voting Member for Special Permits

Sierra Pelletier	6/30/18
Eric Wojtowicz	6/30/18
Justin Rosienski <i>(appt. 7/9/18)</i>	6/30/19
Alice Knittel <i>(appt. 8/27/18)</i>	6/30/19

Planning Board – Associate Member

Jennifer R. Sharrow	6/30/17
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Police Candidate Review Committee

Reverend Emmanuel Haqq	Final Report
James Phaneuf	Final Report
Diane Smith	Final Report
Bonnie Strickland	Final Report
Thomas Soutier	Final Report

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Police Chief Candidate Search Committee

Chris Mattocks	Final Report
Bonnie Strickland	Final Report
Sean Gallagher	Final Report
Thomas Soutier	Final Report
Rev. Emmanuel Haqq	Final Report
Jerry Grasso	Final Report
Steven Williams	Final Report
Thomas Ruscio	Final Report
Andrew DiNapoli	Final Report

Police Chief

Christopher Pronovost

Police Department Lieutenant

Kevin Pacunas	6/30/19
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Police Department – Sergeants

(Full-time)

Michael Beaupre	6/30/19
Steven Henn	6/30/19
Bruce Jenks	6/30/19
Neil Lozier <i>(appt. 10/26/18)</i>	6/30/19
William Panto <i>(retired 8/30/18)</i>	6/30/19

Police Department – Patrol Officers

(Full-time)

Valerie Austin	6/30/19
Jordyn Bradway	6/30/19
Adam Brougham	6/30/19
Jeremy Burns	6/30/19
Dennis Fitzgerald	6/30/19
Jason Krol	6/30/19
Jared LaValle <i>(appt. 11/16/18)</i>	6/30/19
Andrew Letendre	6/30/19
Neil Lozier <i>(appt. Sergeant 10/26/18)</i>	6/30/19
Robert Mann	6/30/19
Christopher Mayo	6/30/19
Edward H. Oey	6/30/19
John Raymer	6/30/19
Michael Roney	6/30/19

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Police Department – Patrol Officers

(Part-time)

Peter J. Gaj (<i>resigned 2/6/18</i>)	6/30/18
David Conkey	6/30/18
Jeremiah McBride (<i>retired 6/29/18</i>)	6/30/18
Vincent Daponte(<i>appt. PT 1/26/18</i>)	6/30/19
Hanna Hulse	6/30/19
Robert Ivey	6/30/19
Michael Jablonski	6/30/19
Matthew Menard	6/30/19
Edward Smith (<i>resigned 9/26/18</i>)	6/30/19
Marissa Smith (<i>appt. PT 7/1/18</i>)	6/30/19

Auxiliary Police Officers

Stephanie Cusson	6/30/18
Vincent Daponte(<i>appt. PT 1/26/18</i>)	6/30/18
Hannah Hulse (<i>appt. PT 7/1/18</i>)	6/30/18
Marissa Smith (<i>appt. PT 7/1/18</i>)	6/30/18
Joseph M. Boyle – Sergeant	6/30/19
Zachary Parker (<i>resigned 10/31/18</i>)	6/30/19

Procurement Officer

Gary L. Brougham
Jill Panto, Assistant

Public Works Director

Steven J. Williams

PVPC Joint Transportation Committee

Douglas Albertson, Alternate	6/30/19
Gary Brougham, Alternate	6/30/19
Steven J. Williams, Representative	6/30/19

PVPC Representatives

(Pioneer Valley Planning Commission)

Sierra Pelletier	6/30/18
Douglas Albertson, Alternate	6/30/19

PVTA Advisory Board

Brian O’Leary	6/30/19
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**Quaboag Valley Business
Assistance Corporation**

Krista B. Wilson	6/30/19
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Quaboag Valley Chamber of Commerce

**Regional Economic Development
(Disbanded 6/11/18)**

Michael Reardon	Final Report
David Roberts	Final Report

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Quaboag Valley Chamber of Commerce

Tourism Committee (Disband 6/11/18)

Richard Steiner

**Regional Economic Development Comm.
Regarding the Ware River Valley Regional
Economic Target Area (Disbanded 6/11/18)**

W. Daniel Fitzpatrick

Board of Registrars

Colleen Toothill-Berte	5/21/21
MaryCatherine Knight	3/31/19
Mary-Ellen O’Reilly-Bracey	3/31/20
Nancy Wright	3/31/21

Assistant Registrars of Voters

Belchertown High School	
Robert J. Hansbury	3/31/19

Precinct Coordinator

Clair Partridge	8/31/19
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Election Officers – Precinct A

Robert J. Hansbury (Warden)	8/31/19
Bernette Daly (Clerk)	8/31/19

Election Officers – Precinct B

Christina M. Aponte (Warden)	8/31/19
Gail Miron (Clerk)	8/31/19

Election Officers – Precinct C

Carol B. Walker (Warden)	8/31/19
Christian Babineau (Clerk)	8/31/19

Election Officers – Precinct D

Paul D. Geoffroy (Warden)	8/31/19
Erica Morrison Brazitis (Clerk)	8/31/19

Belchertown Scholarship Fund Committee

Ruby Bansal – <i>School Cmte(appt. 8/13/18)</i>	6/30/19
Karol Coffin - <i>Superintendent</i>	6/30/19
Michael Knapp – <i>School Cmte Mbr (resigned 6/25/18)</i>	6/30/19
Donna Lusignan – <i>At Large Mbr</i>	6/30/19
Donna Robbins - <i>HS Council Rep (resigned 1/14/19)</i>	6/30/19
Lisa Aiken – <i>Home Schooling Rep.</i>	6/30/19
Lorraine Alves - <i>Pathfinder School Cmte Mbr</i>	6/30/19
Erica Rose – <i>At Large Mbr</i>	6/30/19

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Sealer of Weights and Measures

Paul Adzima		6/30/19
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Sexual Harassment Grievance Officer

Gary L. Brougham		
Lisa Banner, Alternate		

Skate Park Committee

Beth Adams		6/30/19
Dunstan McNutt		6/30/19
Drew Gatesman (apt. 1/8/18)		6/30/20
Michelle Ricker		6/30/20
Sarah Edwards (apt. 1/8/18)		6/30/21

Overseer of Willard Stebbins Account

George (Archie) Archible		
Suzanne Bay		

Superintendent of Insect Pest Control

Steven J. Williams		6/30/19
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Tax Title Property Committee

Douglas Albertson, Town Planner		Final Report
Gary Brougham, Town Administrator		Final Report
LeeAnne Connolly (retired 2/2018) Conservation Commission		Final Report
Erica Cross (appt. 11/13/18) Conservation Commission		Final Report
John Whelihan, Director of Assessments		Final Report
Steven Williams, DPW Director		Final Report

Technology Advisory Committee

Yosef Nimni (resigned 7/12/2018)		6/30/19
Frank Lomanno		6/30/19
Lew Louraine		6/30/19
Brian Weng (appt. 11/13/18)		6/30/19
Michael Zoufaly		6/30/19
Cynthia Caporale		6/30/19

Trail Stewardship Council

LeeAnne Connolly – Town Rep.		6/30/18
Jane Bryden – Landowner Rep.		6/30/19
Douglas Albertson - Town Alternate		6/30/19
Erica Cross – Town's Rep.		6/30/19

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
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Treasurer-Collector

Lisa M. Banner		6/30/19
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Assistant Treasurer/Collector

Jane E. Wolfe		6/30/19
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Deputy Collectors

Arthur P. Jones		12/31/19
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Town Accountant

Jill M. Panto		6/30/19
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Assistant Town Accountant

Kimberly O'Grady		6/30/19
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Town Administrator

Gary L. Brougham		
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Assistant Town Clerk

Theresa A. Rothwell		6/30/19
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Town Common Lighting Committee

(created 4/9/18)

Matt Grillo (appt. 4/23/18)(resigned 6/11/18)		6/30/19
James Phaneuf (appt. 7/9/18)		6/30/19
Cindy Brougham-Brown(appt. 4/23/18)		6/30/20
Andrea Filipkowski (appt. 4/23/18 (resigned 8/27/18)		6/30/20
Cheryl Dutton (appt. 4/23/18 (resigned 6/11/18)		6/30/21
Gloria Fortunato (appt. 4/23/18)		6/30/21
Marnie Henneman (appt. 7/9/18)		6/30/21

Town Counsel

KP LAW		6/30/19
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Trench Permitting Authority

Paul Adzima		
Steve Williams, Alternate		
Trench Permitting Authority		

Veterans' Graves Officer

Vincent Viglione		3/31/22
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Assistant Veterans' Graves Officer

Kathleen Wood		3/31/22
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Veterans' Services Agent

Raymond J. Janke, III		4/30/19
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<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
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Veterans' Services Advisory Board

George "Archie" Archible <i>At-Large</i>	6/30/19
William Bowen - <i>At-Large Mbr</i>	6/30/19
Anthony McAvoy - <i>At-Large Mbr</i>	6/30/19
Keith Poulin - <i>Assoc. Mbr</i>	6/30/19
Robert Vigneault - <i>At-Large Mbr</i>	6/30/19
Janet Jourdain	6/30/20
William McClure	6/30/20
Larry Raines - <i>At Large Mbr</i>	6/30/21
Raymond Janke - Period of Employment	
Vincent Viglione - Period of Employment	

Veterans Burial Agent

Raymond J. Janke, III

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
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Willard Stebbins Trust Fund

Peg Louraine
Thomas Stockton

Zoning Board of Appeals

Brian Gibbons	6/30/19
Wayne Versace - <i>Assoc. Mbr</i>	6/30/19
Nolan Smith Fernandez - <i>Assoc</i> <i>Mbr (appt 10/22/18)</i>	6/30/19
Jennifer Sharrow	6/30/20
Mark Hebert	6/30/21

Zoning Enforcement Officer

Paul Adzima 6/30/19



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Belchertown continued making progress and achieving community goals throughout the year that was 2018. Thanks to the engagement and leadership of many dedicated volunteers, administrators, staff, and elected officials I am very proud of the year we have had and extremely optimistic for our immediate future.

2018 saw the grand opening of the Christopher Heights assisted living facility. A major achievement in and of itself, and a cornerstone to the development of the former State School property. Through the tireless work of our Economic Development team, our partners at MassDevelopment, local legislators, our Department of Public Works, and many others, we have succeeded in building major infrastructure elements in this area. By continuing to invest in ourselves, we will continue to attract interest in what our community has to offer.

The Belchertown Cultural Council has also been very active in working to not only provide opportunities for our own community, but to offer activities and programming aimed at drawing our neighbors to Town. Highlighting our artisans, supporting local businesses and creating spaces for shared experiences has resulted in increased funding and support from both state and local government. I am excited to see this group continue their amazing work and thank them for all of their efforts. I expect the summer Food Truck Fridays to become another long-lasting tradition in Belchertown!

As we move forward into 2019, we have been successful, over the last four years, in eliminating the borrowing from our stabilization fund to finance day to day operations of the Town. Setting ourselves up to address various mandates and much needed capital investments, without tapping into these savings is critical to our sustainability and growth going forward. The Finance Committee, Town Administrator and department heads deserve much of the credit for accomplishing this shared goal. Their partners on the Board of Selectmen certainly recognize and appreciate the hard work that was required and thank them for their efforts.

Finally, many exciting things are on the horizon for 2019. We are expecting to break ground on a project to reclaim the tennis courts along Route 202, enabling the construction of new recreational opportunities and facilities. Additional parking, restrooms, a community pavilion, splash park and disc golf course are all part of the ongoing discussions, with some projects already underway.

I look forward to seeing you around Town!

Nick O'Connor, Chairman
Board of Selectmen

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

I would like to begin by expressing my sincere appreciation to all of our elected and appointed officials, volunteers, employees, legislators and peer groups who continually work for the betterment of our community. Their collective efforts have enabled our town to manage a very brisk agenda and record continued progress in every corner of our town.

As I reported in my last town report, ground was broken for the new Christopher Heights Assisted Living Facility on the grounds of the former Belchertown State School in the Summer of 2017. In September of 2018 the official ribbon cutting of this state of the art facility was held. This facility coming online will provide many local families additional options to provide care for family members who are in need of assistance in day to day matters while living independently. The Facility is beautiful and centrally located in our extensive town.

While the Assisted Living Facility was being constructed, the Town of Belchertown and/or its Department of Public Works was managing a contract to extend the primary access corridor into the former Belchertown State School known as Front Street. This \$1.25 million project was authorized at town meeting several years ago to enable the Town's Economic Development and Industrial Corporation to access additional development sites on the former Belchertown State School campus. There are several business owners actively working with the Town to take advantage of this development opportunity. At this time we have received a site plan application from the Belchertown Day School seeking approval to build a new 8,500 square foot facility. In addition, a local craft brewer is interested in constructing a microbrewery and pouring room on a new site created by the construction of Carriage Drive connecting Front Street to Jackson Street. We anticipate substantial completion of Carriage Drive in the Spring of 2019.

I am also pleased to report our FY19 annual budget prepared for implementation on July 1st was the first in many years to be developed without some reliance on funding from the Town's Stabilization Fund. Our ability to accomplish this was in part related to our fiscal responsibility in addition to continued

economic growth in the community. I am hopeful we are able to continue in this fashion as we develop the FY20 budget.

In addition to our balanced budget created without the use of Stabilization Fund, the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and I proposed a capital bond at the May 2018 annual town meeting seeking funding to purchase a new fire truck, dump truck, oil storage tank for Chestnut Hill Community School and several other less costly capital equipment replacements. Our request was approved allowing us to immediately move forward with securing pricing for the two trucks which are expected to be delivered in the Spring of 2019 and the oil tank that will be replaced in the Summer at the end of the school year.

As in recent years, our residential development rate continues to be brisk. Although development is occurring all over town, two areas of significant development are the Hickory Hills Subdivision located off George Hannum Road and the development of the former Dudek Farm at the intersection of Bardwell, North and South Washington Streets. I anticipate our residential growth rate to continue at or slightly above current levels and remain hopeful we will continue to attract new businesses to offset local expenses. One such business is the new Pride Convenience Store currently under construction at the intersections of Routes 202 and 21. After many years of discussion, ground was finally broken in late Summer on this new facility expected to provide fuel, convenience store and deli services, 24 hours a day/7 days a week.

Another initiative we have been working on for several months involves the cultivation and retail sales of marijuana and marijuana products. A recent vote and creation of the State's Cannabis Control Commission has established guidelines regulating the permitting and operation of these facilities in communities throughout the Commonwealth. At this time, we are working with two business owners hoping to cultivate for retail marijuana products in our town. Once established, the Town will benefit from applicable taxes generated through the cultivation and sale or retail sales of these products. It is entirely possible a retail outlet will be open for business in our town mid-Summer or early-Fall.

As in prior years solar farming continues to be a hot topic in many communities. Belchertown is one of those communities. At present, we have two additional 3.2 megawatt facilities fully permitted which are expected to break ground in the Spring of 2019, and four additional large scale facilities moving through various levels of permitting. Several of the more recent submittals have drawn concerns or scrutiny from abutters who oppose the removal of large sections of forest to create the solar facilities currently subsidized by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The challenge from our applicable boards/committees that are reviewing these facilities is to find the delicate balance of what is appropriate for acceptance without compromising the landowner's rights or our environment.

In 2018, the Town accepted retirement notices from the following longtime employees in 2018: Glenn Armstrong, Assistant IT Director; LeeAnne Connolly, Conservation Administrator; Shirley Dillard, Department Assistant II, Treasurer/Collector's Office; William Korzenowski, Executive Director of the Council on Aging; William Panto, Police Sergeant; Alice Przybyla, Meals Driver; and Phyllis Slate, Social Services Outreach Assistant/SHINE Counselor. We wish these folks a long and happy retirement! Further, we would like to welcome the following individuals who have been appointed to fill some of these vacant positions: Justin Byrne, Assistant IT Director; Erica Cross, Conservation Administrator; Sarah Bissonnette, Department Assistant II, Treasurer/Collector's Office; Jessica Langlois, Executive Director of the Council on Aging. These new individuals will bring years of experience in their respective fields, to their new positions and fit in nicely with the Town's employee team.

As in most years, the Town and/or department heads was successful in securing many grant dollars for our community. Once such grant was a Community Compact Grant submitted by the Town's IT Department seeking funding from the State's Community Compact Program to purchase and implement a new Electronic Permitting System. This system will enable all town departments involved in development, inspection services, health services, water and sewer operations, Fire Department and Police Department activities to electronically access all construction and compliance reviews typically managed on paper in individual offices. This new system will bring greater efficiency and expedite the

permitting process once activated. The system may also be of greater assistance as the Town continues to move toward in compliance with a new federally mandated Stormwater Program. This new program is mandatory for the Town of Belchertown in spite of our effort to waiver out or challenge the prescriptive nature of the Program's implementation. Ultimately the mandate is going to cost our town and its taxpayers considerable dollars and quite possibly initiate discussions at the 2019 May Annual Town Meeting to seek the creation of a Stormwater Utility enabling the Town to better manage this program and recover costs by a surcharge on real estate tax bills. We will soon begin public forums to provide additional information on the nature of this mandate and explain the potential benefits and/or liabilities.

Finally, as always I would like to call attention to all the wonderful community events made possible in our town by the many dedicated volunteers throughout the year. In addition to the ongoing community band concerts, annual Belchertown Fair, car shows on the Common, and all of what we have become accustom to, we have more recently seen the addition of the Cultural Council's food truck events and holiday lighting and festivities on the Town Common which were made possible by the efforts of both the Town Common Lighting Committee (TCLC) and the Belchertown Cultural Council's Holiday Lighting Committee. Our community is truly blessed to have and benefit from the creativity and dedication of so many town volunteers.

Respectively submitted,

Gary L. Brougham
Town Administrator

FINANCE COMMITTEE

For Fiscal year 2018, the Town of Belchertown had a 3% increase in total revenues; which included the use of certified free cash of \$224,000 and \$250,000 from the stabilization fund. The Finance Committee, along with the Board of Selectmen, and Town Management worked together to prioritize department requests above the prior year spending, without jeopardizing overall services to the Town.

	Actual FY2017	Actual FY2018	% Change	Projected FY2019	% Change
Local Receipts	3,432,891	3,179,850	-7.4%	3,329,493	4.7%
Real Estate Tax Levy	25,469,776	26,449,855	3.8%	27,678,028	4.6%
MA State Aid (Cherry Sheet)	17,394,428	18,424,523	5.9%	18,475,941	0.3%
Special Fund Receipts	3,686,992	3,433,191	-6.9%	3,496,526	1.8%
	49,984,087	51,487,419	3.0%	52,979,988	2.9%

For the Fiscal Year 2019 budget, the Town will see strains on resources with level funding from the State and will need to rely on local revenues. The Real Estate Tax Levy is already at the maximum allowed of 2.5%. The Finance Committee, Board of Selectmen, and Town Management are committed to maintaining essential services, but with the right balance.

The Finance Committee has focused on strategies to address necessary funding for the Other Post-retirement benefit (OPEB) plan, and capital expenses. These strategies include policies for the use of Free Cash and OPEB funding minimums, to avoid entering into additional debt for the Town. The Finance Committee along with the Board of Selectman and Town Management will stay committed to balancing the Town's needs while also looking at the long-term financial stability of the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne E. Raymer, Chair
Finance Committee

ADA COMMITTEE

The American with Disabilities Committee Members for the year 2018 were Paul Adzima, ADA Liaison; Judy Metcalf, Board of Health; Steven Williams, Director of Public Works; Gary Brougham, Town Administrator; Ted Bock, Fire Department, Eric LeBeau, Director of School Buildings and Grounds; and Max Bock, Supervisor of Town Buildings and Grounds.

The Committee meets throughout the year as necessary and responds to any complaint on ADA related issues, and monitors the progress of the resolution of those issues.

The ADA Committee invites the public's opinion and concerns to help promote a safe environment for those who are disabled.

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

The Agricultural Commission welcomed several new members to the board this year.

A Farmers "Meet and Greet" was held in February. Speakers from Kestrel Trust and the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources spoke on Land Preservation from a private and public perspective. The event was very well attended.

The Commission funded a number of road signs proclaiming Belchertown as a "Right to Farm" Community. These signs are posted on major highways into town.

We are exploring a number of social media options to promote Belchertown Farmers and their products. We are also working to update the Commissions webpage to better serve the Agricultural Producers of Belchertown.

Respectfully Submitted,

Will Shattuck, Chairman
Lori Carver, Secretary
Judy Gillan, Member
Tom Hastings, Member

Tom Roberts, Member
Louise Butler, Associate Member
Tammy Ryan, Associate Member
Sandy Brougham, Associate Member

ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD

The Animal Control Advisory Board (ACAB) was formed in 2011 by the Board of Selectmen, who, prior to the inception of ACAB, was holding numerous hearings regarding domestic animal complaints and neighbor disputes within the community. As a result, the Board of Selectmen agreed it beneficial to form a separate board to hear and resolve matters that have escalated beyond the day to day functions of the Animal Control Officer.

The members of the ACAB comprise of residents with a wealth of knowledge and experience with domestic animals. All members currently are pet owners. Members include kennel operators, horse breeders, animal rescuers, and a member with a service animal. ACAB works closely with the Animal Control

Officer in resolving matters of an escalated nature, and often, disputes between neighbors. In 2018, ACAB did not have any hearings. All matters were successfully resolved by the Animal Control Officer and did not have to be brought before ACAB.

ACAB remains a stable and dedicated Board. We are looking forward to a successful 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

Belchertown Animal Control Advisory Board
Nicole Miner, Chair
Jim Luippold, Secretary
Audrey Safford
Brian Breveleri
Carol Kasabian
Chrystal Greenleaf

ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT

Animal Control had a very successful year both reuniting owners with their pets and placing stray/unclaimed animals into new homes. Below are the numbers for animals taken into our facility from January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018:

	<u>Species</u>					
	<u>Canine</u>			<u>Feline</u>		
	Adult	Up to 5 Mos.	Unknown Age	Adult	Up to 5 Mos.	Unknown Age
Beginning Animal Counts - 01-01-18	0	0	0	0	0	0
Intake: Stray/At Large	38	0	0	20	25	0
Intake: Relinquished by Owner	5	1	0	5	1	0
Intake: Owner-Intended Euthanasia	0	0	0	0	0	0
Intake: Transferred In	2	0	0	4	12	0
Intake: Returns	1	0	0	0	0	0
Intake: Other Intakes	0	0	0	0	17	0
Live Outcomes: Adoption	7	0	0	14	39	0
Live Outcomes: Returned to Owner	35	1	0	5	0	0
Live Outcomes: Transferred Out	0	0	0	5	4	0
Live Outcomes: Returned To Field	0	0	0	0	0	0
Live Outcomes: Other	0	0	0	1	0	0
Other Outcomes: Died in Care	0	0	0	0	2	0
Other Outcomes: Lost in Care	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Outcomes: Shelter Euthanasia	2	0	0	1	2	0
Other Outcomes: Owner-Intended Euthanasia	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Animal Counts - 12-31-18	2	0	0	3	8	0

We have assisted neighboring towns with transfers of animals and continued our partnership with Train A Dog Save A Warrior, TADSAW, and other local rescues. We held our annual rabies and microchip clinic at our shelter with Dr. Morcom from Mill Valley Veterinary Clinic and it was a great success. We have again received a grant from the Massachusetts Animal Coalition to provide trap/neuter/release services to residents in Belchertown who have a feral or community cat problem in their area. Belchertown Animal Control has started a foster program for adoptable animals in our care and has found it to be a great success.



We would like to thank both the Town Clerk's Office and the Town Accountant's Office for their participation in our kitten socialization program. This exposure has led to super friendly kittens, faster adoptions and also more traffic into the Town Clerk's Office! We are thankful to the local 4H groups, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts that continue to do donation drives for the animals in our care.

2018 brought us a new (to us) retired police cruiser which we were fortunate to be able to equip with a rear K9 kennel unit to keep the animals we transport safer along with ourselves. This would not have been possible without Belchertown Animal Relief Committee, BARC, purchasing it for us.

The Belchertown Animal Control Department would like to acknowledge the support and cooperation we receive from both the other town departments and the public during the course of our duties.

Respectfully,

Anna Fenton
Animal Control Officer

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

At the Town Election in May, Donald Minney was re-elected to a three-year term on the Board of Assessors. Raymond Goff and Thomas Barry remain members of the Board.

Although costs associated with operating local government continue to rise; Belchertown's financial situation has outperformed neighboring communities. Important figures in establishing Belchertown's fiscal year 2018 municipal budget included:

FY18 Total Taxable Value	1,454,710,727
Town Meeting Appropriations	\$52,611,688
Estimated Receipts/State Aid	\$26,150,500
Tax Levy	\$26,461,188
Levy Limit and Debt Exclusions	\$26,608,755
FY18 New Growth	\$491,348
FY18 Tax Rate	\$18.19

The Board acted upon timely filed tax abatement applications along with exemption applications for qualifying disabled veterans, elderly, widowed and blind property owners. The Board also reviewed and acted upon "Chapter" applications for land devoted to agricultural, recreational or forestry uses. The Board continues to perform field reviews as needed.

In accordance with Department of Revenue guidelines, the assessing staff continues to inspect properties throughout town. As part of the cyclical inspection program, the staff will verify property characteristics of single-family homes until the project is completed. Approximately 500 homes have been inspected each of the past three years.

The Assessors received additional funding from the Community Preservation Committee to microfilm historical tax records. The public can now view real/personal tax commitments from 1862-1976 on-line.

Commercial activity continues to increase in town. Examples of commercial development include construction within the former state school property along with solar projects.

The Assessors conducted an interim-year valuation adjustment for real estate in fiscal year 2018. Due to improved market conditions, the town's overall property values increased.

The Board is confident that all classes of property are valued according to mass appraisal standards and Division of Local Services (DOR) guidelines.

The Belchertown Board of Assessors and the entire assessing staff are committed to providing the citizens of Belchertown along with the general public with timely and accurate information.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond Goff, Chairman
Thomas Barry, Vice Chairman
Donald Minney, Clerk

BELCHERTOWN COMMUNITY TELEVISION

The purpose of Belchertown Community Television is to operate Community Channels 191, 192, and 193 on the cable television system in Belchertown. BCTV provides training and technical assistance in the use of video production equipment, access to video resources, and time on the access channels. Facilities are available for the production and presentation of live or taped programming of interest to the Belchertown community. BCTV's role is to provide resources, training, and assistance while remaining content-neutral regarding their use.

We continue to broadcast a wide range of government, community, and educational programs of interest to Belchertown. We also continue to be in need of volunteers. What we can produce is limited to the time these volunteers are available; more volunteers equals more local programming.

Channel 193 - BCTV Weather Station: The BCTV weather information system is broadcast on Charter channel 193 and displays the current weather conditions at the BCTV station as well as, the current regional radar. This service operates 24 hours a day with forecasts, storm and emergency warnings for the Pioneer Valley.

Government Access Programs – BCTV broadcasts the following Town Boards, Committees, and/or Commissions:

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| -Selectmen | -Pathfinder School | -Board of Health |
| -Planning Board | Committee | -The Annual Town Meeting |
| -Conservation Commission | -Council on Aging | -Special Town Meetings |
| -BEDIC | -Agriculture Commission | |

(Meetings currently not covered are: School Committee, Housing Authority, Recreation Commission, and others)

Educational Access Programs – Educational programs being broadcast on BCTV include:

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| -Most BHS Band Concerts | -Most CHCS Band Concerts | -Swift River and Chestnut |
| -Most BHS Drama | -The BHS Annual | Hill productions |
| Presentations | Graduation Ceremony | |

(Events not being covered include Soccer games, Baseball games, Softball games, Hockey Games, Volleyball, Chess)

Community Access Programs – BCTV continues to cover as many community events as possible. A partial list includes:

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| -Summer Community Band | -Annual Belchertown Fair & | -Some Holiday events |
| Concerts on the Common | Parade | -Veterans Day |
| -Carols on the Common | -Easter Egg Hunt | -Living with Bears |
| | -Food Truck Fridays | -Memorial Day Ceremonies |

Weekly Church Services on BCTV include:

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| -St. Francis Roman Catholic Church | -Hope United Methodist Church |
| -Christ Community Church | -Evangel of Wilbraham |

Continuing Series:

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| -Stone House Speaker Series | -Donna Lee at Clapp Library |
| -Town Talk | |

Live shows:

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| -Belchertown Fair | -CHCS – Veterans Day | -Special Town Meeting |
| -Belchertown Parade | Performance | -Annual Town Meeting |
| -BHS “An Evening in Christmas Town” | -Swift River – “It’s A Small World” | |

Shows of Special Interest:

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| -Car Show on the Common | -Tri-Lakes Ice Fishing Derby | -Christmas Lights of Belchertown |
| -P.S.A. - Opioid Addiction | -Relay for Life | -SOAAR event - Town Common |
| -Rag Shag Parade | -Bondsville Dam Restoration | -Christopher Heights |
| -Take Back the Night-Police, EMT, Fire Dept. | -Leprechaun Plunge | Belchertown Grand Opening |
| -Austin Farm Corn Maze | -Winter Night Lights | |
| -Carols on the Common | -Jimmy Fund Putt-a-thon | |

Shows produced outside of Belchertown:

-At the Dance with Tom and Deb
-Your Right to Know (Fitchburg City
Republican Committee)

-Westover ARB Monthly News
-Conversations with Pakman

BCTV offers a portable sound system for use by community organizations. The portable sound system is a battery-operated two-speaker system, has two wireless microphones, and is available to any and all Belchertown Community organizations.

Accomplishments and Goals: BCTV's goal each year is to maintain and upgrade our existing facility and to get new volunteers trained and independently operating. It is our hope to cover as many community events as we can and then broadcast them as professionally as we can. Community events presented professionally make us a valuable asset in Belchertown.

In January of 2018 the BCTV studio was flooded; the rest of the year was taken up with rebuilding our TV Station. Work included demolition of all interior walls, rebuilding our sprinkler system, and a redesign of the interior spaces of the TV station. Fortunately we did not lose much in the way of equipment. After drying out most of the wet electronic equipment was still functioning. During the reconstruction of the station, we relocated the essential equipment to continue daily operations to our "dead storage" closet. By May 2018 the interior work was completed - new walls, new paint, new floor, and new lighting. May to June, we installed new office furniture, closeable storage units, new carpet for the actual studio, new tables and counter tops for the control room, a studio window between the control room and the studio. By October we had new black out curtains installed on all our exterior windows, a new full stage black at the rear of the studio, and relocated the essential operating equipment back into the control room. In November we held an open house for the public to visit our "new" facility. We are grateful for the "beyond their duty" help from the Belchertown DPW. Without their timely assistance in responding to the initial flooding and their continued oversight and assistance throughout the rebuild, we would not be where we are today. Their work was essential to our smooth return to normal operations.

As well as our own return to normal operation, we did manage some equipment upgrades this year:

- a new Leighton Ultra Nexus SD (the heart of the BCTV broadcast system) to replace our 10- year-old Ultra Nexus
- Thanks to the suggestion of a viewer, BCTV is now streaming video on Channel 191 24/7. To access this service go to belchertownctv.viebit.com.

BCTV does have a small but extremely dedicated staff. Below is the complete list of the folks who make up BCTV and many but not all of the shows they tape, edit, burn to DVDs, upload to VIMEO for the citizens of Belchertown, along with some of their other contributions to BCTV:

- Pat Barry - BEDIC, Board of Health, upload shows to VIMEO
- Dan Beaudette - ZBA, Selectmen, Council on Aging, Agriculture Commission
- Mary Ann Brennen - Planning Board, Annual and Special Town Meetings, and other events
- Keith Bettencourt - Conversation with Pakman
- Louise Christ - BCTV Scheduler, St. Francis Roman Catholic Church, Concerts on the Common
- Audrey LePage - BCTV Bulletin Board
- Shawn Lindholm - All School Activities at BHS, JBMS, and Crocker Farm
- Frank Lomanno - BCTV IT Manager, All live BCTV shows, Conservation Commission
- Wilbur Quirk - Town Talk, Relay for Life, Fair Interviews

BCTV is always in need of volunteers. There are meetings we simply cannot cover, repair work that waits for months, and skills we do not possess that we could use.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lewis Louraine, Station Manager
Peg Louraine, Operations Manager

BELCHERTOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION

The Belchertown Economic Development Industrial Corporation (BEDIC) was formed by Town Meeting vote in 1982. The Board of Selectmen appoints seven members with staggered, three-year terms. Formed under Mass. General Law Chapter 121C, BEDIC's mission is to develop and implement a Town Meeting approved economic development plan on the former Belchertown State School property creating real estate investment and jobs.

During 2012 BEDIC overcame many long-term obstacles that were blocking the development of the site: solving the indemnification issues with the Division of Capital Management and Maintenance (DCAM) with help from our legislators and MassDevelopment, our Master Developer for the site, to continue developing the State School property. During 2014 the Governor signed the release of a key additional parcel from DCAM to the BEDIC that was transferred in early 2015.

MassDevelopment continues to develop the conceptual plan for the site with BEDIC, Town Selectmen, the Planning Board and the Town Administrator. The site is now called Carriage Grove and the main road, named Carriage Drive, will be completed in the spring or early summer of 2019 making use of the State awarded \$3,000,000 Mass Works grant. Front Street was extended further into the site by the Town. Through MassDevelopment, BEDIC has spent almost \$6 million in State funds for remediation and demolition and site planning. More than fifteen buildings, totaling over 250,000 square feet, have been abated and removed including the hospital, infirmary, dorms and the auditorium. All the wooden cottages have been removed and the Administration Building has been broom-cleaned. BEDIC has received additional funding through two EPA grants totaling \$400,000 for further site remediation. Site security has been increased with the very active participation of the Police Department.

The Town's investment in extending Front Street in 2017 was pivotal in the Christopher Heights of Belchertown opening their assisted living facility in June 2018 on approximately 3 acres and occupancy at the facility is increasing ahead of plan. BEDIC has received additional development project proposals for sections for the site and is conducting discussions and negotiations through MassDevelopment for those possibilities.

BEDIC and MassDevelopment worked with the Planning Board, the Belchertown Historical and Conservation Commissions, Town groups and the State to collaborate on plans for memorializing the history of the site and providing access for the public through a trails network. This work continues.

Directors:

William Terry, Chairman

Jonathan Spiegel, At Large Seat

Beth Maroney, Financial Seat

Kirk Stephens, Vice Chairman

Bob Rivard, Industrial Seat

Richard Kump, Real Estate Seat

BELCHERTOWN OPIOID AWARENESS TASK FORCE (BOAT)

The Belchertown Opioid Awareness Task Force was formed in 2016 in response to the need for local leadership in the ongoing opioid crisis. The Task Force is comprised of local officials and medical professionals who each bring unique experience and expertise in informing and providing solutions for tackling addiction on the local level.

The Belchertown Opioid Awareness Task Force has been hard at work this past year, collaborating with Hampshire HOPE, Quaboag Hills Substance Use Alliance, and other local organizations, along with the Belchertown Police Department and its DART team to put resources in place to help serve residents affected by substance use disorders and to help support their loved ones. Our mission is to not only help

provide support and resources, but to also serve as a catalyst for awareness, prevention, and harm reduction locally.

With 10 substance-related deaths having occurred in Belchertown during the first 7 months of the year, BOAT organized a vigil on the town common to celebrate those in recovery and to honor those who have been lost to addiction-related causes. The vigil was well-attended, and more than 80 individuals were trained in the use of Naloxone to save lives.

A brief summary of some of our other 2018 activities is as follows:

- Created a wallet card listing various local resources to be distributed to individuals in need.
- Produced a Public Service Announcement to promote carrying Naloxone (Narcan) with the help of our friends at BCTV.
- Connected the Belchertown Public Schools staff with drug use recognition training, led by a professional in the field.
- Created and presented an exhibit called "Hidden in Plain Sight" to help parents recognize possible signs of substance use within their child's room at various public functions. Naloxone training was also made available at those events.
- Participated in and promoted "Project Redemption," a photographic exhibit of people's accomplishments living in recovery.
- Updated happenings and resources on our web page and Facebook page to continue bringing awareness, education and resources to the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Panto, Chairman - BOAT

CLAPP MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The Clapp Memorial Library concluded a banner year of community programming, offering 495 programs with overall attendance of 13,870 people! There was something to satisfy every interest. Adults enjoyed three evenings of music: songs from the Great American Songbook, an American folk/roots concert, and a rousing Irish music performance. They learned how to cook with an Instant Pot, made fleece blankets, garnered tips from an expert on spring cleaning routines, practiced stress reduction techniques, and created adorable needle felted ornaments. They played the ukulele, learned the delicate art of artistic paper cutting, dabbled in aromatherapy, joined writing circles, learned to make 15 minute meals, and laughed along with two local farmers who shared the tale of how they came to their current vocation. Adults who love to talk about books enjoyed the monthly mystery discussion group or the evening fiction group, cooks thrived at the cookbook club, and the annual opportunity to chill out during a six-week meditation course was warmly embraced. 166 adults participated in the always popular Summer Reading Challenge, stretching their boundaries by reading books from different genres. The great raffle prizes provided added incentive.

Creative and fun teen programming brought young adults to the Library for Teen Write Nights, two Murder Mystery Evenings, craft and movie nights, a songwriting workshop, pumpkin decorating, Cupcake Wars, Humans vs. Zombies (a live-action capture the flag game), creative journaling, and Painting with Bunnies (yes, real bunnies). Young scribes attended a month of National Novel Writing Month activities writing 180,000 words in the process. The Third Annual Belchertown Pizza Tasting Contest and Trivia Night was, as always, a huge hit, and once again, special study hours exclusively for BHS students were offered during the winter exam period. 50 teens participated in the Summer Reading Program, while 32 tweens and teens joined the summer Junior Volunteers, contributing time and energy to the Library while gaining valuable community service experience.

472 children proved that "Libraries Rock" with their participation in the Summer Reading Program. The goal of keeping kids enthusiastically involved and reading over summer vacation was successfully achieved. Belchertown artist Scott Fischer once again donated his creative talents to design a unique summer logo that practically danced right off of the t-shirts it adorned. Special thanks also goes to Country Bank for funding our special summer programs and events for youth.

And what a summer it was! There were puppet shows, drumming circles, a musical instrument petting zoo, indoor and outdoor music concerts, yo-yo tricks, a DJ dance party, roller skating, rocket building and launching, and an improvisational comedy performance. And that was just July and August! Numerous events for children were planned throughout the year, including creative play with giant blocks, the Forensic Science Roadshow, a Harry Potter interactive movie event, live animal programs, more puppet shows, learning to weave, 3D and robotics makerspace exploration, Lego challenges, author readings, outdoor messy art, the Curious Giraffe Show, craft programs, storytelling, and several family music events.



Introducing young children to reading, learning, and early socialization is an important part of the Library mission. This process begins at the 3 weekly story hours that enrich and entertain children from 3 months of age up to 5 years old. "Getting Ready for Kindergarten" is a 6-part series offered at the Library each summer, helping to prepare our youngest school children for the next step in their education. Once in kindergarten, these young students will visit the library with their class twice a month to choose a book, hear a story, and enjoy the Library experience. These classes visited the Library 102 times last year. A six week after school math club, "Crazy 8's" provided a fun, creative approach to math problem solving for students in grades 3-5.

Families were invited to learn about creating habitats attractive to pollinators, and when the weather turned cool, an evening of four Star Wars-themed escape room events challenged youth, teens, and adults. The Library was once again a co-sponsor of one of the fantastic Food Truck Fridays, running games and offering giveaways to an enthusiastic crowd.

The Library houses 24,230 books, 6,564 DVDs, 1,905 audio books, 2,475 music CDs, and 75 magazine subscriptions. Last year, 4,405 new items were added to our collection. Membership in the C/WMARS library consortium offers our users access to the collections of all 144 member libraries, with combined holdings of over 9 million items. The Overdrive Digital Catalog provides access to downloadable content: 52,000 e-books, 18,000 audio books, and 97 digital magazine subscriptions. We also offer one-on-one tech appointments to those who are new to the world of e-books and need help getting started, or who simply have questions about a digital device.

In Fiscal Year 2018, the Library circulated 104,241 items, and borrowed 14,175 items from consortium libraries to meet the needs of our 7,395 card holders. Those card-holders can also access an array of electronic collections, including Consumer Reports Online, Rosetta Stone language learning, New York Times Online, Ancestry and HeritageQuest genealogy databases. These resources garnered 7,525 overall uses.

Library patrons enjoyed the opportunity to visit area museums by borrowing passes that provide free or reduced admission to the Springfield Museums, Holyoke Children's Museum, Zoo in Forest Park, Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art, Norman Rockwell Museum, Old Sturbridge Village, Historic Deerfield, Mystic Aquarium, Clark Museum, Ecotarium, Massachusetts Parks Pass, MassMOCA, Pioneer Valley Symphony, and Smith College Museum of Art. The library truly offers something for everyone, with a varied selection of large print books, public copier and fax services, and local newspapers as well as the Wall Street Journal, New York Times, and Boston Globe.

Our historic building requires considerable ongoing care and maintenance. To this end, the Library Trustees ran a successful Annual Appeal aimed at raising funds to improve our heating system and install air conditioning for the first time ever! Work on this project began in December and many thanks go to

the Friends of the Library and the generous community members who contributed to these endeavors. Interior lighting received an upgrade that literally shows things in a new light, making our stained glass windows an even more spectacular sight when viewed from outside at night. Rounding out major improvements was the installation of a new front sidewalk.

The Library bid farewell to two long-serving trustees: Barbara Sullivan, who served as President of the Board for close to eight years, and Chris Walker, who served as Vice President during the same period. Their diligence, intelligence, and good humor will be greatly missed. The Board is fortunate to welcome two highly capable new members: Keri Shepard and Carole St. Amand.

We are always grateful for the hard-working and dedicated Friends of the Library who provide invaluable support by funding programs, equipment and other special needs that are beyond the reach of our budget. Their hard work and dedication results in improved opportunities for all of our Library users. And who doesn't love the book sale?

The Clapp Memorial Library is a dynamic entity, always evolving and improving. We invite the community to visit, get a library card, and enjoy all of the services this wonderful institution offers.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila McCormick
Library Director

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Now in its successful twelfth year, the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) continues to review project applications for Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds and make recommendations to the Town of Belchertown. These recommendations for funding are then voted on and approved at Town Meeting.

The CPA is a state tool designed to help individual towns and cities preserve and enhance their community. Belchertown voters approved CPA participation at Town Meeting on May 16, 2005. Every year 10% of the CPA funds must be allocated to each of three categories: open space, historic preservation and community housing. The remaining 70% may be allocated to any of these categories including creation of recreational facilities or rehabilitating existing ones.

Under the CPA, the state-match funds raised in Belchertown from a tax surcharge of 1.5% averages \$35 per household/year. This year the state provided a 17.20% match. The CPA surcharge for FY 2018 was \$242,170.00 and the state match was \$46,048.00. However, since many CPA projects include additional outside funding sources, the financial benefits to Belchertown greatly multiplied the town's own contributions. Over the last 12 years, there has been a total of \$882,729 spent on the preservation of open space; \$329,000 on the creation of new affordable housing opportunities, \$873,841 on the creation and rehabilitated of recreational areas and \$1,150,259 on the preservation of historic features, all tallying \$3,235,829. Leveraged funding has totaled \$19,815,345 so the Town has benefited from a total of \$23,051,174 in projects.

The 2018 Annual Town Meeting approved eleven CPA projects with a total appropriation of \$341,345.00. These projects include:

- Roof, windows and door repair at the Washington District Schoolhouse
- Rhinoshield for the Washington District Schoolhouse and the Sentinel Building
- Lake Wallace Carriage Grove Trail - Phase I
- Town Common Public Address System
- Fencing repair at the CHCS recreation complex
- Pickle Ball Courts at Jabish Brook Middle School

- Relocation of the baseball field and creation of additional recreational space at Foley Field
- Disc golf course at the Piper Farm Recreation Area
- Gazebo Restoration on the Town Common
- Field survey and installation of bounds and pins at South and Lake Vale Cemeteries
- Gravestone restoration at Lake Vale, Hillcrest, South and Rural Cemeteries
- Land acquisition of 86 acres at Mader Town Forest

The CPC is committed to an open process that is fair to all prospective applicants and assures funds are allocated efficiently and effectively.

The volunteers serving as members for the past year included:

James Natle, Chairman
 Linda Leduc, Vice-Chair
 Nancy Delgado Bachman
 Judy Healy
 Alex Loss
 Peg Louraine
 Megan Manitsas
 Nick O'Conner, Selectman Liaison
 Wilbur Quirk
 Eric Wojtowicz

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Belchertown Conservation Commission held forty-nine (49) new hearings under the Wetlands Protection Act: sixteen (16) Requests for Determination; twenty-six (26) Notices of Intent; two (2) withdrawn applications; two (2) Amended Order of Conditions; and five (5) Extension Permits for Orders of Conditions. The Commission issued seven (7) Emergency Certificates for the protection of public health and safety; the majority of the emergencies were to remediate flooding impacts as a result of beaver activity or the removal of overhanging damaged trees. Additionally, the Commission issued three (3) Enforcement Orders, ten (10) Notice of Violations, and four (4) Stop Work Orders.

The Commission also reviewed and commented on all septic system installation permits, site plan reviews, subdivision applications, ANR plans, and Chapter 61, 61A and 61B withdrawal requests. In addition, the Commission also reviewed the applications for all forest cutting plans and the Yearly Operational Plan for the vegetation management for the Massachusetts Electric Company, National Grid and the New England Central Railroad Company.

The Conservation Commission Administrator, under the guidance of the Conservation Commission, is the Stormwater Authority for the Town. The Stormwater Authority is responsible for the permitting process for the Belchertown Stormwater Bylaw and regulations, as well as any associated compliance and enforcement efforts. For the year 2018, there were twenty-six (26) applications submitted for review. These regulations serve to protect public health, environment, and general welfare by establishing requirements and procedures to control the adverse impacts of stormwater runoff from new development and redevelopment. In its capacity as the Stormwater Authority, and in conjunction with the Stormwater Committee, the Commission has been working to achieve compliance with the Town's MS4 permit through several efforts, such as: participating in a region-wide association of other Pioneer Valley towns to achieve public outreach requirements, assisting in developing potential stormwater programs through a 604B grant, coordinating with consultants to document existing outfalls and flooding concerns, and planning for increased housekeeping practices like street sweeping.

The Commission has conducted numerous site visits to monitor ongoing projects throughout the year including housing lots, subdivisions currently under construction, ANR lots and Stormwater site visits. In addition, the Commission has dealt with several outstanding enforcement issues and has been

concentrating their efforts to bring these projects back into compliance. The Commission continues to work with various Town departments for the Belchertown State School redevelopment project. The Commission is also working with the Planning Board and the Recreation Department to create a handicapped accessible trail around Lake Wallace as well as a disc golf course at Piper Farm. The Commission also began working with local citizens' groups to develop plans for better management of the Town's trail system.

The Conservation Commission successfully acquired the Mader Town Forest through a \$343,636.00 grant through the Local Acquisitions for Natural Diversity, (LAND) Grant program of the Mass. Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs. This 86 acre property, in the vicinity of the Holland Glen Conservation Area, consists of a steep hillside with scenic vistas, a popular place for hiking, and a recharge area for Jabish Brook - a water supply for Belchertown and the City of Springfield. The Conservation Commission has applied for another grant through the Local Acquisitions for Natural Diversity, (LAND) Grant program of the Mass. Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs for a property on South Gulf Road.

The Conservation Commission has been involved in numerous conservation area stewardship projects, collaborating with both private and public organizations, as well as individuals. Newly acquired properties were mowed, and future plans for management were developed. New parking and signage was installed at the Mader Town Forest and a dedication ceremony was held. Holland Glen Conservation Area was surveyed and enforcement of property boundaries and appropriate usage was pursued. The Conservation Commission would like to thank all volunteers and the Belchertown Department of Public Works for all their assistance with the stewardship and maintenance of our conservation areas.

The Commission continues to work actively with the Tri-lakes Association and the Belchertown Lake Committee. The purpose of this relationship is to address the annual and long-range management strategies needed to meet recreational, habitat, aesthetic, water quality and other agreed-upon goals for Belchertown's Lacustrine habitats. Monitoring water quality, vegetation and nutrient content is a necessity in assessing the overall health for all three Lakes. The Conservation Commission, the Belchertown Lake Committee, Tri-Lakes Association and DPW are currently all working together to address the annual and long-range management strategies needed to meet the water quality and other agreed-upon goals for these lakes.

The Town of Belchertown was designated a MVP Municipality under the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs' Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) program. With this designation, the Town can apply for MVP grants. The Town was awarded a planning grant to develop a long-term plan for beaver and beaver-related flooding management. The Commission has been working closely with DPW and the consultants to provide data for the plan development.

The updated 2013-2020 Open Space and Recreation Plan, (OSRP) will continue to qualify Belchertown for numerous State grant opportunities. The 2013-2020 Open Space and Recreation goals and objectives for 2018 will continue to incorporate this data reflecting community concerns for the Town and provide Belchertown with the resources, recreational management guidelines and strategies for the next seven years. In addition, the Conservation Commission regrettably accepted the resignation of John Henry, a Commission member for many years who resigned in November 2018. A new Conservation Commission member will be appointed early 2019.

The Commission has begun an internship program, and successfully completed a summer season with two interns. The result of this program was the digitization of several years of records, GIS mapping, and design materials for the management of the Commission's lands. The Commission was excited to welcome Cayla Paulding, one of the summer interns, on as an additional staff in September 2018. The Commission is also coordinating with Mt. Holyoke College in South Hadley, MA to implement Lynk funding for future interns who attend Mt. Holyoke.

The Commission is anxious to begin new projects for the year 2019 and feels confident that the environment is favorable within the local community to protect and maintain valuable resource areas and open space within the Town. Collaborative efforts by Town departments, Land Trusts, State agencies, private individuals and private landowners only strengthen the chances for successful open space protection within the community.

Respectfully submitted;

David Haines, Chairman
Jon Clements, Vice-Chairman
Edward Knight, Commissioner
Michael Cavatorta, Commissioner
Eric Wojtowicz, Commissioner



Erica N. Cross, Administrator
Michele Nowak, Department Clerk
Cayla Paulding, Department Clerk

COUNCIL ON AGING

The Council on Aging is committed to enhancing the lives of older adults, age 60 and over through services, programs and activities that educate, assist and advocate on their behalf.

The Council on Aging remains focused on the goal of meeting the needs of Belchertown's senior citizens and continues to join with various local agencies to provide information and referrals to Belchertown's growing senior population.

The Council on Aging continues to supplement the town budget with alternate funding from the Formula Grant, Federal Title IIIC, Title IIIB and Title IIIE. As well as funding from the Older Americans Act through the Massachusetts Office of Elder Affairs and the Administration for Community Living. In addition, supplemental funding is received through Belchertown Cultural Council grants. This Council is a local agency supported by the MA Cultural Council a state agency.

Identifying and meeting the health needs of Belchertown's elder community continues to be a priority. On site foot care, hearing clinic and monthly blood pressure screenings conducted by Belchertown's public health nurse are ways of completing this. Tai Chi, Healthy Bones and Balance, Yoga, Zumba and Active Aging Fitness classes are offered through the Council on Aging weekly. The Center had talks on healthy eating from WestMass ElderCare, a monthly visit from a registered dietitian and offered an onsite flu clinic in 2018.

Meeting the nutritional needs of Belchertown's senior community is accomplished through the daily Senior Lunch Program, Meals on Wheels program and the monthly Brown Bag Program. There are also weekly donations of bread available to all those who visit the Senior Center. During the summer the Senior Center delivers bags of fresh produce to seniors, compliments of WestMass ElderCare.

Recognizing the need for a strong social network, the Council on Aging has weekly card games, craft classes, Wii Bowling, a quilting group, a veterans' group as well as monthly movies. The Center hosted many educational seminars in 2018 such as an Alzheimer's Association educational series, The History of Quabbin and Healthy Habits. Multiple musical performances were held during 2018 before and after the lunch program to help combat the winter blues, keep out of the heat in the summer and to kick off the holiday season.

One of the most valuable services that the Senior Center has to offer the senior population of Belchertown is its transportation program. We are fortunate enough to be able to offer our seniors an exact pick up time instead of a 2 hour window as other transportation companies do. We are able to offer this helpful option because we operate the program using our own vehicles. The Center also runs a grant funded Companion/Errand Program which enables our seniors to travel outside of Belchertown for medical

appointment. A companion will pick the senior up at home, drive them to their appointment, wait with them and then drive them back home. Knowing that there is someone there to offer support really puts the clients mind at ease.

Collaborating with other Town departments continues to be an asset to the Center. The first annual Safety Night Out, brought to us by the TRIAD/SALT council was successful and allows for advertisement of the house numbering program, the house lock box program and drug take back program.

The Outreach Program is available to all residents of Belchertown. Whether a resident needs referrals for themselves or a family member is seeking help with federal and state benefit applications, the Outreach Program can help. The Senior Center is fortunate to have two S.H.I.N.E (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone) staff members. Both are trained and certified by the Executive Office of Elder Affairs and are knowledgeable in many health insurance plans, including Medicare Part A, Part B, and Part D; Medigap insurance, Medicare HMOs, retiree insurance plans, prescription drug programs, Medicaid, Medicare assistance programs and other programs for people with limited resources. Our staff is able to make home visits and provide phone consults to Belchertown residents any time during the year. This is especially helpful during the Medicare Open Enrollment period each year.

The Council on Aging's monthly newsletter is mailed to over 1200 households and emailed to an additional 125 residents. The Newsletter informs residents of the daily lunches and the diverse activities that the Center is offering.

The Council on Aging Executive Board of Directors, comprised of 7 dedicated volunteers, lends support to the Council on Aging staff. The Council on Aging Board members are:

Robert Farrington-Chair
Donna Bozoglos-Vice Chair
Maura Guzik-Secretary
James Dowling

Colleen DuroShea
Timothy Niejadlik
Diane Plante

The volunteers of the Council on Aging continue to be our most valuable asset. This dedicated group can be found helping in the kitchen, teaching classes or putting together the Brown Bags. In total they donated over 10,800 hours of free time to the Belchertown Senior Center in 2018.

The Belchertown Senior Citizens' Center Association, Inc., under the direction of President Ann Hess sponsored numerous events to aid in the social wellbeing of the Belchertown residents. Their fund raising efforts and financial support of the Senior Center directly impacts the available programming, activities and events.

The Council on Aging provides many essential services to Belchertown residents. Each and every contact is registered as a unit of service and recorded for state and local funding purposes. Listed below is a sample of the key services provided from January 2018-November 2018.

Educational Programs & Activities:	3,860	Brown Bag Program:	622
Health and Wellness Clinics:	3,032	Outreach & SHINE Programs (5/2018-11/2018):	734
Meals Served:	6,147	Transportation Services:	4,485
Home Delivered Meals:	18,644		

The hardworking staff at the Council on Aging remains dedicated in their mission to provide excellent service to the senior population.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Langlois
Executive Director

CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Belchertown Cultural Council promotes excellence, access, education, and diversity in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences to improve the quality of life for all Belchertown residents and contributes to the economic vitality of our community.

2018 was an historic year for Belchertown's Local Cultural Council. In addition to funding 22 cultural events and activities through the state grant cycle, the Council began instituting its own programs, including Food Truck Fridays on the common and the town's first-ever Art Walk during the Boch Center's statewide roll out of Art Week.

Belchertown's share of funds from the Massachusetts Cultural Council was \$5,756 divided among local artists and craftspeople. Programs funded were:

- Music programs at the Clapp Memorial Library—A Concert by Banish Misfortune in March (\$420), a Songwriting workshop with David Maloof in April (\$350), The Great American Masters of Song in June (\$400), and The Curious Giraffe Show: Libraries Rock! in July (\$150).
- Musical performances at the Senior Center—"Halloween Harvest" by Davis Bates (\$300), and "Music Is Love - Music, Magic and Comedy" by Dawn Kelley (\$250).
- Popular STEM programs at the Clapp Memorial Library were funded—"Makerspace 3D Design & Printing/Robotics Workshop" (\$400), and "Simple Machines" (\$750).
- At the Schools the council funded The Belchertown High School's Literary Journal (\$800) performances by the Springfield Symphony Youth Orchestras (\$136),
- A collaborative program between the BHS Art Society and the Senior Center: "Blind Painting" where students and seniors collaborated on paintings which were displayed at the Clapp Library and the Senior Center (\$150).
- Other programs funded were Christine Shirtcliff's Creative Journal Expressive Arts Series (\$450), Athol Historical Society's Uniquely Quabbin Magazine (\$50), Hilltown Families Suggest (\$50), The ChickenYard Band at the Belchertown Food Truck Fridays (\$550), and Greene Room Productions' Kids' Tour: Danny Champion of the World (\$550).

Eager to create more free family fun events for our Belchertown community, the council looked for ways to expand its offerings outside of the state grant cycle. We developed a logo with Amy Weiss Designs and began our own programming – the first of which was Food Truck Fridays.

Our inaugural event took place on July 28, 2017 bringing 5 diverse food trucks to the common, local musicians BabyDriver and a variety of family friendly activities provided by our partner the Clapp Memorial library as well as other local businesses. The event brought nearly 1000 attendees to the common and was so successful we were able to expand our offering during the summer of 2018 with a series of three evenings beginning in June. Held on the third Friday of the month in June and July the Cultural Council presented Food Truck Fridays on the Common, where residents gathered to enjoy culinary treats, socialize, and dance to the music of Dez Roy, The Sypek Brothers, Campfire Friendly, and The ChickenYard Band. Due to the high attendance and demand, we were able to host 10-12 trucks at each event.

On April 28, 2018 the BCC organized the first-ever Town-wide Art Walk. In conjunction with Massachusetts Art Week, over 500 residents visited 14 locations in town for a variety of fun, family-friendly art-themed activities. Many local businesses and non-profits participated. Among the extensive offerings were Quabbin Art Association members exhibiting and showing painting techniques; photography displays featuring local and international settings; demonstrations of fiber arts; and an open studio for ceramics. There were workshops on creative journaling, mandala making, and yoga and art. Many interactive activities for children were available, including decorating sugar cookies, paper weaving, and making art with nature. Author Amy Green Carter read from her new book, *Happy Accidents*, at Clapp Library. The Stone House Museum featured a special exhibit of historic paintings

ordinarily not on display. Local restaurants offered visitors the opportunity to express their creativity by making their own pizzas and ice cream sundaes, as well as offering art exhibits and special menu items.

The Belchertown Cultural Council is eager to consult with townspeople who wish to find a way to fund projects and programs in town. Our thanks to those who have designed and presented programs. Our programming could not have happened without the support of the Town Departments, and our sponsors, the local area businesses. We thank the Town of Belchertown for their support.

Council members are: Audrey Anderson, Nicole Carlson, Matt Grillo, April Jasak-Bangs, Melissa Mann, Jennifer Turner (Chair), Jocelyn Walker, and Jennifer Whitehead.

For the Council,
Matt Grillo

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

During 2018 there were not any incidents that extended beyond the resource capabilities of our regularly trained workforce. During the early half of the year, we experienced above average precipitation, followed by a dry spell during the second half. Fortunately this did not trigger too many problems, although some property owners experienced domestic well issues. The early part of winter was wet, but provide above average temperatures for the season. Once again the Town's people were able to endure the demands of the weather related events.

The Town's CTY instant notification system continues to provide general notification to the public about public safety events unfolding in real time.

The Office of Emergency Management continuously reviews the Town's emergency preparedness plan which focuses on natural and technological hazards.

Committee members continue to maintain a partnership of emergency preparedness with our

county neighbors, along with the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), under the direction of Homeland Security.

The Town continues to work with the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission on hazardous mitigation taking a proactive approach to identify potential future problems that may occur during natural weather events. Again, time was spent working on the stormwater runoff mandate initiated by the Environmental Protection Agency which will impact all homeowners.

Your town officials are dedicated and continue to prepare Belchertown to meet the needs of the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward F. Bock
Emergency Management Director

FAIR AND PARADE COMMITTEE

Gazebo Project Summary: May town meeting supported a proposal for gazebo repair/renovation by the Friends of the Fair and the Fair Committee for \$27,700. Work began in summer and was completed by both paid contractors and a substantial amount of volunteer labor.

The scope of work included more than originally planned replacing the flat roof, rewiring inside and out, replacing wood damaged by carpenter ants and age, rebuilding portions of the upper rails, replacing one and adding another window, replacing the exterior door, insulating, scraping and painting the exterior. Updating the interior included walls, trim, ceiling and lights. A weather tight roof hatch was added to allow access to the flat 2nd story. True to historic bylaw regulations, no visible changes were made to the exterior. The window coverings were restored to once again look like clapboard walls.

During the process some interesting things were found. Cards advertising a dinner in 1968 were found between the walls indicating that it was likely 50 years since the last interior rehab. Old articles suggested the "bandstand" opened to allow sound to be heard outside. The top half of each wall is hinged and would open inward hooking on the ceiling. The original construction is 6x6 beams that are pegged. The wall panel that was removed has been saved and there are pictures of the interior beams.

This work was accomplished by a combination of paid contractors: Anthony Trifone from Bulldog Finish Carpentry; Roberts Roofs Co, Inc.; JP Maggi Paint, Wallpaper and Construction and volunteer work.

It is significant to note that the volunteer/sponsorship/material donation was significant in this process and allowed the entire project to be completed well under budget:

Ed Drew Electric
Gatesman Electric
Industrial Technical Service, Inc.

TJ Taylor Rental
Friends of the Belchertown Fair
Fair Committee

The Fair Committee did (collectively) trash removal, demolition/removal of ceiling, walls, etc. Insulating, installing wall boards, prepping, sanding, and staining interior walls, finish trim, installing shelves, prepping and painting floor, prepping, washing outside walls, urethaning trim and windows, painting doors, Brown donation of lumber, picking up and delivering purchased lumber/siding.

Started with:		\$27,700.00
Total spent:		\$22,047.95
Balance remaining:		\$5,652.05
08/18/18	A Boilard Sons Inc.	\$2,366.16
08/18/18	Cindy Brown	\$40.64
08/18/18	Roberts Roofs Inc.	\$7,500.00
08/30/18	Anthony Trifone	\$3,200.00
08/30/18	Joseph P. Maggi	\$5,975.00
08/30/18	A Boilard Sons Inc.	\$467.51
08/30/18	Stadler Hardware, Inc.	\$435.26
09/06/18	A Boilard Sons Inc.	\$509.50
09/20/18	A Boilard Sons Inc.	\$50.00
09/26/18	Mark Nute	\$190.29
09/26/18	Becky Newsome	\$52.63
10/12/18	Stadler Hardware, Inc.	\$566.99
10/12/18	A Boilard Sons Inc.	\$38.70
10/16/18	Mark Nute	\$99.44
10/20/18	Stadler Hardware, Inc.	\$555.83

As planned, no events were disrupted and with the exception of some minor finish carpentry, the work is complete.

Fair Weekend: Belchertown celebrated its 161st annual fair and parade. This year's theme was "Wheels and Squeals." Exhibitors and town organizations put their minds together to come up with great ideas. Amusement rides were provided by Fiesta Shows. Friday night opened with discounted wristband sales. Due to the great weather, people flooded the fair grounds. Saturday's parade stepped off with a police escort, followed by the Color Guard. Marchers included professional units including the American Legion, Town officials, Police and Fire Departments. Many amateur units followed. There were so many events going on that weekend: tractor pulls, social tent, 4-H tent, Farmer For a Day, rabbit and poultry events, horse and oxen pulls. All of them were crowd pleasers. Wendy and all of her Exhibit Hall crew and volunteers out did themselves. Great job! So much work goes into the decoration and setting every item in just the right spot. Every year it gets better and better.

Awards

Gary Whitlock Best Presentation of Theme Decorated Booth:
-Youth Booth Winner: Belchertown High School Junior Class
-Adult Booth Winner: Belchertown Education Foundation

Parade Awards Include...

Floats:

- 1st: Friends of Clapp Memorial Library
- 2nd: Belchertown Day School
- 3rd: Austin Ridge Acres

Bands:

- 1st: Belchertown High School Band
- 2nd: Jabish Brook Middle School Band

Marching Units (Amateur):

- 1st: Footloose School of Dance
- 2nd: Belchertown and Granby Eagles
Football/Cheerleading
- 3rd: Belchertown Girl Scouts/Brownies

Marching Units (Professional):

- 1st: Belchertown Fire Department
- 2nd: Hampshire Sheriff Department
- 3rd: Hope United Methodist Church

Exhibit Hall Awards include:

- Exhibit Hall Grand Champion:
- Andy Michaud Apple Pie Contest (Adult):
- Andy Michaud Apple Pie Contest (Youth):
- Helen Papp Award:
- Glen Butler Award:
- Fair Cake Adult:
- Fair Cake Youth:
- Hubert and Jennie Greene Award:
- People's Choice Award Adult:
- People's Choice Award Youth:
- Preston Atwood Award:
- Bob Wilson Award:
- Les Campbell Award:
- E.C. Howard and Sons Award:
- Elsie Waskiewicz Award:
- Best Agricultural Display:
- Judy Bettencourt Award:
- Best Non-Agricultural Display:
- Best Group Non-Agricultural Display:

Also occurring were two favorite events:

Oxen Pulls

2400 and Under

- 1st: Mike Audet with Rock and Jack
- 2nd: Kyle Clark with Rocket and Howard
- 3rd: Zack Bertholic with Tuff and Moose

Antique Cars:

- 1st: Daniel Alley: 1929 Ford Mode A
- 2nd: Mark Fitzherbert: 1955 Thunderbird
- 3rd: Dot Thayer: 1931 Ford Town Sedan Slant
Windshield

First Place Antique Truck:

- 1st: John Sasur: 1930 ford Pickup
- 2nd: Richard Guerdon: 1930 Model A Huckster

Antique Tractors:

- 1st: Jack Arcquette: 1949 John Deere Model M
- 2nd: James Beachell: 953 Farmall Cub
- 3rd: Dean Lamontagne: 1952 Hough Model A

Antique Emergency Apparatus:

- 1st: Monson Bellman
- 2nd: Belchertown Fire Department
- 3rd: Agawam Fire Department

- Linda Repasky
- Helen Austin
- Alyssa Keeler
- Laurie Waite
- Kari Bachand
- Shawn Lindholm
- Lunamarie Lee
- Colleen Butler
- Linda Repasky
- Abigail Heroux
- Michael Vinsh
- Emily Bancroft
- Sue Robinson
- Michael Vinsh
- Elizabeth Cyran
- Belchertown Bunnies
- Anderson Struzziero
- Incredible Clovers
- Tangled Sisters

2800 and Under

- 1st: Mike Audet with Tiger and Gator
- 2nd: Colby Haskell with Pete and Dog
- 3rd: Mike Audet with Whitey and Pete

3200 and Under

- 1st: Mike Audet with Willie and Turbo
2nd: Todd Clark with Tim and Tom
3rd: Jesse Dewkett with J.P. and Hank

Horse Pulls

3300 and Under

- 1st: Bergeron, Bolduc and Durgin
with Tom and Bill
2nd: Roger Lockerby with Tom and Rock
3rd: Hurlburt and Brown with Ira and
Spudsy

The Poultry Show winners were:

Youth

- Champion Standard: Lana Krol
Champion Bantam: Chloe Macaluso
Champion Waterfowl: Tiffany Howe
Champion Turkey: Lunamarie Lee
Reserve Standard: Thomas Scalera
Reserve Bantam: Parker Krol

Adult

- Best in Show: Sandy Brougham
Best Standard: Tammy Gehrung
Best Waterfowl: Caitlyn Runnels
Champion Turkey: Megan Howe

The Rabbit Show Winners were:

- The Best in Show: Tate Mason
Reserve Best in Show: Hailie Lavin
Best Showman: Tate Mason
Outstanding Exhibitors: Tate Mason
Best Pet: Tate Mason

Free for All Class - Over 3200

- 1st: Colby Haskell with Rick and Maverick
2nd: Mike Audet with Mic and Buck
3rd: Fran Mason with Tony and Jack

3300 and Over

- 1st: Jon Meraill with Rex and Rusty
2nd: Brad Hurlbert with Jessie and Body
3rd: Dean Larpenter with Jake and Rox

Showmanship

- Cloverbud 1st: Claudia Macaluso
Cloverbud 2nd: Virginia Yetts
Cloverbud 3rd: Cameron Kotowski
Novice 1st: Marcus Yetts
Novice 2nd: Gianna Zennon
Novice 3rd: Loralie Backus
Junior 1st: Chloe Macaluso
Junior 2nd: Allison Kotowski
Junior 3rd: Elizabeth Scalera

Countless hours are spent planning the parade and fair. The Committee would like to thank the Board of Selectman, Police and Fire Departments, EMS, Department of Public Works, Town Hall and the Town Hall Administration Staff for all of their help. Thank you to all of our volunteers and sponsors; their help is never forgotten. Most of all I want to thank the Fair Committee members for all that they do; without this group, the fair would not exist.

Looking forward to next year!

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Nute, Chairman
Belchertown Fair and Parade Committee



FAMILY CENTER

The Belchertown Family Center is located at 51 State Street and is open Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The Belchertown Family Center is a community service that is funded by Collaborative for Educational Services, Massachusetts Walk for Children, the Town of Belchertown, as well as with community and member donations. The Center is a resource for families with children ages infant to five years old and is committed to providing the community with early childhood enrichment in a safe environment that allows children to develop socially, emotionally, developmentally and physically through enrichment activities and play.

The Belchertown Family Center supports teaching and modeling appropriate parenting skills and offers resources for developmental skills and community outreach services, such as

Valley Families and WIC. We offer playgroups, where children can work on gross and fine motor skills. In addition, we foster pretend play, arts and crafts projects, music activities and pre math and pre reading activities that are research based.

In addition to these services, the Family Center also collaborates with WIC and Community Action to offer assistance and community resources to families in need, along with housing a clothing bank for children from infants to school age. We also provide caregivers with opportunities to meet and socialize with other families, creating dialog and networking to strengthen community.

For more information, please contact the Director, Lori Allen, at 413-835-5201

FIRE-RESCUE DEPARTMENT

The Belchertown Fire-Rescue Department is a combination of the Town's fire and emergency medical ambulance service. The Department has provided another busy and proactive year of fire protection, and environmental conservation to our community, along with our high quality Emergency Medical Services. We continue to provide 7/24-hour Advanced Life Support care to the residents of Belchertown and our neighbors along with our advanced firefighting skills and training. Our commitment towards life safety and property conservation is our primary goal. This is accomplished through the efforts of 16 full-time staff, three part-time, and 40 call/volunteer firefighters in addition to the great-continued support we receive from the businesses, and the great citizens of Belchertown.

Each year brings challenges with funding as our community grows and takes change; however town meeting continues to support our requests to maintain the level of the service we provide. This past year the Department hired two more full-time firefighter/paramedics and took delivery of a new Ford ambulance that replaced an older unit. The Town also approved and awarded a contract for a new fire engine that will replace a 35 year old one. This equipment is vital to fire protection operations for the community. Planning also continues to commit and purchase an aerial device. The Department commits to the best Fire Protection, and Pre-Hospital Paramedic level care possible.

Overall our response to fire related 911 calls is continuing to average a call a day, however the requests for permits show fire prevention activities and permits are on the rise again as homes sales have increased, and new building has begun again. The ambulance responded to 1691 emergency 911 calls, an increase of 220 calls over last year. The ambulance averaged four calls a day in 2017, and the call volume in 2018 is now 4.5 calls a day on average.

As the Department continues to request funding to plan towards the future, it is time to expand our fire department headquarters with live in accommodations now that full-time employees are on duty around the clock. In addition more full-time personnel are still needed to handle the ongoing increase of ambulance calls as the community once again is in development stages. This past year the community welcomed the opening of an 83 unit assisted living facility and site work started on the first 24-hour gas station. Belchertown continues to grow and be a more active community. Additionally, funding for the

full-time "Command" structure needs to be funded and implemented with modern fire practices as full-time staff is added.

The members continue countless hours of State-mandated and bi-weekly training to provide the best services capable.

In closing, I would like to thank all the firefighters of the Department for their continued support and dedication to serve. I would also thank their families for the support they have shown throughout the year. Without the family support, it would be very difficult to operate this department. The citizens of Belchertown should be proud that dedicated, qualified, and professional people take an active role in serving their community.

Respectfully submitted,
Edward F. Bock, Fire Chief

Types of Responses 2018

Structure Fires	08
Ambulance Responses	1691
Vehicle Fires	01
Vehicle Extrication	04
Wildland Fires	27
CO Alarms	31
Hazardous Spills	23
Faulty Appliance	44
Sounding Alarms	133
Investigations	57
Mutual Aid	08
Total	2027

Inspections and Permits

Open Burning	549
Smoke Detector	292
Oil Burner	64
Propane Storage	71
Underground Tank Removal	02
Fuel Storage	00
<u>Blasting</u>	<u>04</u>
Total	982

BOARD OF HEALTH AND QUABBIN HEALTH DISTRICT

Board of Health Permit/License Activity Report

The following is a list of the various permits and licenses that were issued by the Board of Health office in 2018.

Private Drinking Well Permits: 36 (34 New Construction, 2 Replacements)
 Septic Permits: 69 (28 New Construction, 41 Repairs)
 Perc Test Applications: 60 (29 New Construction, 31 Repairs, 2 postponed to 2019)

Bakery:	3	Outdoor Wood-fired Boiler/ Furnaces Variance Permits:	0
Body Artist Establishment	0	Piggery License:	1
Body Artist	0	Public Pool Permit:	1
Day Camp Permit:	0	Public Spa Permit:	0
Ecology Can Permits:	1	Residential Kitchen Permits:	2
Food Establishment Permits:	29	Retail Food Permits:	10
Frozen Dessert License:	2	Septic Hauler's Permits:	11
Funeral Director License:	1	Septic Installer's Permits:	28
Housing Inspection Voucher	0	Tanning Unit Permits:	1 permits/2 units
Limited Food Establishment Permits:	8	Temporary Food Permits:	22
Milk & Cream Licenses:	34	Tobacco Retail Permits:	11
Mobil Food Permits:	15	Food/Retail Review	1
Mobil Home License:	1		

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Grenier, Senior Clerk
Quabbin Health District

2018 Communicable Disease Report

The following reportable diseases were reported to the Belchertown Board of Health Office as suspected and confirmed in 2018:

Disease	Status	Number of Cases
Babesiosis	Confirmed	1
Babesiosis	Suspect	1
Borrelia miyamotoi infection	Suspect	2
Campylobacteriosis	Confirmed	1
Ehrlichiosis	Suspect	1
Giardiasis	Probable	1
Group A streptococcus	Confirmed	1
Hepatitis B	Probable/Suspect	3
Hepatitis C	Confirmed	5
Hepatitis C	Suspect	4
Hepatitis D	Suspect	1
Human Granulocytic Anaplasmosis	Confirmed	1
Human Granulocytic Anaplasmosis	Suspect	2
Influenza	Confirmed	136
Influenza	Suspect	1
Legionellosis	Confirmed	1
Lyme Disease	Suspect	33
Mumps	Suspect	1
Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever	Suspect	3
Salmonellosis	Confirmed	2
Streptococcus pneumoniae	Probable	1
Tuberculosis	Confirmed	7
Varicella	Suspect	1

Both suspect and confirmed cases of certain communicable diseases are reportable to the Board of Health. The cases listed above are those which have been received and investigated by the Board of Health office to the best of our ability. A computerized surveillance and case management system for use state-wide, the Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiologic Network, enables secure, real-time sharing of information between diagnostic laboratories, clinicians and state and local health officials.

Our efforts are dependent on cooperation from area physicians and hospitals as well as the school nursing staff. To have a successful infectious disease control program, we must receive reports in a timely fashion. All contagious disease reports received by the Board of Health Office are investigated by the newly created position of the Belchertown-Ware Public Health Nurse.

The Belchertown – Ware Public Health nurse is a position established in 2018 to service the towns with professional public health nursing while benefitting from cost savings through a shared agreement.

Since my August 27, 2018 date of hire, I have worked under the direction of the Belchertown Board of Health and Dr. Scott Siege, BMP. After printing, reviewing, and updating standing orders with Dr. Siege, all orders were signed, allowing assurance that the Public Health Nurse is able to provide needed services for our residents. I was able to provide 2018/2019 flu vaccines to employees in need at both Ware and Belchertown locations, doing our part in promotion of a healthy community.

I completed and was certified by Reed Sherrill in the Office of Integrated Surveillance and Informatics for the Department of Public Health in Boston, MA on the use of the MAVEN system which we use to monitor all communicable infectious diseases throughout our community. I routinely confirm, monitor, assess, and follow up with health care providers, DPH, and residents who contracted various infectious diseases in our town in order to prevent spread, educate, and ensure safety for all residents in Belchertown.

My role as the Public Health Nurse in Belchertown continues to provide opportunities to instruct our residents through preventative health trainings, including a monthly blood pressure clinic at the Belchertown Senior Center. As well as sit on the Community Benefits Advisory Board (CBAC) where I work closely with Baystate Wing and Mary Lane in efforts to develop and implement programs to enrich our community by providing needed services along with educating the general public on healthy lifestyles.

I have become a member and work diligently with the Belchertown Opioid Awareness Task Force (BOAT) as we strive to educate, empower, and assist the Belchertown Community in conquering the opioid epidemic that unfortunately currently plagues our region. I have worked to unite Pathfinder administration with BOAT to ensure our Belchertown students in that school system are serviced with programs like Hidden in Plain Sight, which we implemented on November 28, 2018 at Pathfinder Career Night.

I have become a member of the Massachusetts Association of Public Health Nurses Western Mass Chapter which provides education and a network of resources to utilize for our community. The Chapter works together to provide education to every community in Western Massachusetts, attend seminars provided by the epidemiologists at DPH in Boston, trainings on Emergency Preparedness in our community, and keep up to date on all evidence based changes to our Public Health services.

Representing Belchertown, I worked alongside other Public Health Nurses in our region to provide an educational seminar to local nursing students attending AIC and Baypath on the important work of a Public Health Nurse and the reflection of a Healthy Community we represent, notably continuing education credits were provided by the state of Massachusetts for this course.

I work to maintain, as well as continue to develop, professional contact with regional Health Care Providers, local School Nurses and Administration, Town employees, and the community members I serve.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carrie Latulippe, RN, BSN
Belchertown-Ware Public Health Nurse

2018 Animal Inspector Annual Report

Under the general supervision of the Board of Health, the Animal Inspector is responsible for the annual inspection of premises on which there are domestic animals.

On an annual basis, the Animal Inspector visits facilities on which there are cattle (dairy and beef), swine, goats, sheep and horses, as well as poultry, mink, foxes, donkeys, mules, deer, buffalo, llamas, ostriches and other animals which are currently being raised and/or maintained in the town. The Animal Inspector inspects the premises as to general cleanliness, light, ventilation, and water supply; and inspects the animals themselves as to general physical condition and cleanliness.

In 2018, I conducted inspections of 180 farms. The following is a census of farm animals in Belchertown based on those inspections:

ANIMAL COUNT

Beef Cattle over 2 years old	142
Beef Cattle under 2 years old	94
Breeder Pigs	4
Chickens	1,357
Dairy Cattle over 2 years old	4
Dairy Cattle under 2 years old	0
Feeder Pigs	23
Game Birds	32
Goats over 1 year old	66
Goats under 1 year old	13
Horses over 1 year old	398
Horses under 1 year old	0
Lamas over 1 year old	44
Llamas under 1 year old	5
Pigeons	38
Rabbits	87
Sheep over 1 year old	64
Sheep under 1 year old	28
Steers	0
Turkeys	19
Water Fowl	121

The Animal Inspector issues animal disease quarantines in the case of a report of disease or animal bite; and issues and distributes quarantine notices. In 2018, the following reports of bites or exposures of domestic animals to a potentially rabid or unknown cause of a wound were filed with the Belchertown Board of Health office:

Dog bites 15
Cat bites 4

Exposure to wildlife or wound of unknown cause: 14

2 dogs and 1 bat were tested at the State Laboratory for rabies. They tested negative for Rabies.

1 bear was tested at the State Laboratory for rabies, the test came back positive.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Flebotte, Animal Inspector

QUABBIN HEALTH DISTRICT

The Quabbin Health District is a regional health department serving the communities of Belchertown, Ware, and Pelham. It was established by town meeting vote in 1980 and is the joint effort of the local Boards of Health to provide their towns with public health professionals and services. Our primary duties center on enforcing provisions of the State Sanitary Code and Environmental Code under the jurisdiction of the Board of Health. We also provide technical assistance and educational services to residents and other municipal departments. The Quabbin Health District serves a total population of approximately 26,000 residents in an area of about 120 square miles in Hampshire County.

The following table lists the major activity/ services provided to each town in the District during 2018:

	Belchertown	Ware	Pelham
Perc Test/Deepholes and Soil Evaluations	58	29	7
Septic Application Review (New Construction)	28	2	0
Septic Application Review (Repair)	48	21	7
Septic Installation Inspections and Re-inspections	66	20	12
Well Application Review	36	N/A	3
Housing Inspections (upon complaint) And Re-inspections	16	70	0
Lead Paint Inspections	0	1	0
Condemnations (#of units)	0	0	0
Voucher Housing Inspections	0	3	0
Housing Court Appearances	6	0	0
Food Service Inspections (routine and complaint) Including School Cafeterias	83	83	3
New or Remodeled Food Plan review	2	3	0
Mobile/Temporary Food Inspections	22	13	0
Beaver Permits Issued	4	4	1
Nuisance Complaints Received and Investigated and Orders issued as warranted	9	23	1
Tanning Bed Licensure	2	1	0
Children Recreational Camp Inspections and Licensing	0	0	0
Tattoo/ Body Art Establishments	0	1	0
Public Pool and Sauna Inspections Public Beaches	2	1	0
Meetings/Hearings	10	6	7

Total Inspection Activities District-wide: 714

The Quabbin Health District is governed by a Board of Directors, which is composed of the elected Board of Health members from all three communities within the District. The meeting places rotate among the three Town Halls. During 2018 the main agenda items discussed by the regional District Board were the 2019 budget, town assessments, and the rising cost of insurance and pension assessments as well as OPEB. The Health Director and Inspector work in all three communities and maintain fully functional workplaces in both the Ware and Belchertown Town Halls. The District provides administrative/clerical personnel at both locations as well.

I would like to thank all members of the District Board of Directors for their continued support. I would also like to acknowledge the hard work and effort shown by my co-workers Stephen Bell, Health Inspector; Betty Barlow, Administrative Assistant; Mary Grenier, Senior Clerk, and Carrie Latulippe RN, Public Health Nurse.

Sincerely,

Judy Metcalf, R.S., C.H.O., Director of Public Health
Quabbin Health District

HISTORIC DISTRICT BY-LAW COMMISSION

At the Annual Town Meeting in May 1990, The Belchertown Center Historic District was established under Massachusetts General Law, chapter 40C, entitled "The Historic Districts Act." Under Chapter 40C of the MGL, cities and towns may establish Local Historic Districts to preserve and protect buildings and places of historic or architectural significance.

The Local Historic District provides for the review of proposed demolition, new construction or significant alterations within the boundaries of the District, in order to ensure that the proposed work is compatible and not disruptive to the visual character of the District. It does not restrict the use of buildings or land beyond that established by local zoning by-laws. Presently, there are over 200 Local Historic Districts in the Commonwealth. Although there are many significant historic properties within the Town, the Historic District By-Law Commission is responsible for the protection of those structures that are within the Center Historic District.

During the past year there were several applications for proposed work within the Historic District:

A "Certificate of Non-Applicability" was issued to the following:

- 25 South Main Street - Replacement of roof with similar material (asphalt shingles)

A "Certificate of Appropriateness" was issued to the following:

- One Main Street - Business signs (two different businesses applied for sign placement and approval)
- 43 Main Street - New deck/egress for second floor apartments and repair of barn
- Gazebo on Town Common - Permanent installation of Public Address System and installation of windows on the north side of Gazebo
- 25 Main Street - Repair of existing handicap ramp, fence and railing

An application for handicap ramp at 33 Main Street was denied.

Since the first Historic District was established on Nantucket in 1955, Historic District Commissions have greatly influenced the preservation of irreplaceable resources throughout the State. We hope that this gives you renewed pride in our historic district, appreciation of the beauty of our town center and the need to preserve it for the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Smith, Chair
Jonathan Spiegel
Irene Mariettos
Thomas Stockton
Anna Szmyd Marques

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Members:

Jill Bierly, Clerk
Patrick Bierly, Chairman

Judith Gillan
Alexander Loss

Bruce Klockers
Kevin Lynn

The past year has seen the Historical Commission working on a couple of areas of interest in preserving our town's history. First, we have continued to work on the materialization of the State School property. With other town departments joining in on trails projects, we have continued to focus somewhat to signage and possible memorials or reflexive spaces. We are also participating with other groups in town on the Patrick Center Reuse Committee to determine the use for the former Patrick Center land and the walled structure on the land.

The Historical Commission is also actively seeking potential, new commissioners to join our historical preservation efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Bierly, Chairman
Historical Commission

BELCHERTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Belchertown Housing Authority consists of 48 elderly/disabled apartments, 16 family housing apartments, and 2 group homes managed by the Department of Developmental Services (DDS). The Housing Authority is managed by an Executive Director who is appointed by the elected Board of Commissioners, and is operated according to the policies of the Belchertown Housing Authority and the guidelines and regulations of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

The elderly/disabled apartments are located at 41 Everett Ave. Each unit has a living room/kitchen combination, bedroom, and bathroom. Apartments are located on first and second floors. On site parking is available. The office building contains a coin operative laundry room and a community room, which has additional amenities for tenant use. Heat, electricity, and trash pick-up are included in the rent. There is onsite maintenance and a 24 hour automated answering service.

The family housing apartments are located on State Street, George Hannum Road, and East

Walnut Street. Each apartment has a living room, kitchen/dining room combination, bedrooms, laundry room, full bath on the second floor, and a half bath on the first floor. Off street parking is available. Trash pick up is included in the rent.

The rent for the above apartments are determined based upon your households' gross annual income. Family apartment rents are set at 27% of the household's monthly gross income while elderly & disabled apartment rents are set at 30% of the household's monthly gross income (as utilities are included).

The Authority's office is located at 41 Everett Avenue, OFC 24, Belchertown, MA 01007. Please call ahead to schedule an appointment. When the office is not open, feel free to leave a message and we will return your call.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Rogers, Executive Director
Nancy Delgado-Bachmann, Board Member
Judy O'Kulsky, Board Member
Marie Ciosek, Board Member

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

The IT Department for the Town of Belchertown continues to support the day to day operations and technical needs for all of the town departments.

This year we were able to secure two grants, one for \$15,000 to improve network security specifically in regards to our Police department, and one for \$81,000 to begin to implement a town-wide system for electronic permits, licenses, and inspections.

2018 saw improvements in many of our internal and external systems. Our on-line publically accessible GIS system continues to see improvements with the addition of many septic and well permits being viewable online.

The IT Department hired a new part time employee in October to help meet the increasing demand for technology.

Thank you,

Kevin Hannon
Director of Information Technology

INSPECTION SERVICES

The Inspection Services Department issued fifty eight (58) new construction-building permits for single-family residences. This comprised forty four (44) single family homes and fourteen (14) condos.

The total number of permits for the year totaled 1767. The new Assisted Living Facility, Christopher Heights at 99 Front Street on the former state school property, received its certificate of occupancy. It contains 83 units.

Paul Adzima continues to serve as the Building Inspector as well as the ADA Liaison, Weights and Measures Inspector and Zoning Enforcement Officer. Michael Henry continues to serve as Assistant Building Inspector.

David Fredenburgh continues to serve as primary Plumbing and Gas Inspector with Charles Lydon serving as Assistant Plumbing and Gas Inspector.

Mitch Staszko serves as primary Electrical Inspector and David Sedelow and Richard Rosazza are serving as Assistant Electrical Inspectors.

LAKES COMMITTEE

The Belchertown Lakes Committee is responsible for the protection of the public health, environment and the general welfare of the lakes within the Town. For the year 2018, the Committee has met 7 times and has held 2 public forums. The Committee has been working with Tri-Lakes Association, Town Departments and local residents to meet recreational, habitat, aesthetic, water quality and other agreed-upon goals for the Town's water-bodies. Belchertown can be very proud of our accomplishments regarding lake stewardship efforts for all lakes over the last 5 to 10 years. Data for the Tri-Lakes area has shown a continued increase in water quality and a decline in nutrient over-loading and nuisance vegetation!

During the season of 2018, the Belchertown Lake Committee has been working with AER, (Aquatic Ecosystem Research) to make recommendations for long term management for all three lakes. AER provides recommendations in regards to auxiliary projects that can be considered for future lake management efforts or grant acquisition.

Lake Metacomet has been identified as requiring all whole lake herbicide Treatment of Sonar. This herbicide application will cost \$28,000.00 and will be done by Solitude Lake Management in early May 2019. Due to this unanticipated cost, the Committee will be combining fiscal year 2018 and 2019 funds to cover this cost. In addition, the lakes have had numerous beaver activity and Beaver Solutions LLC has been hired to conduct a long term beaver management plan and assessment.

The channel enhancement between Holland Pond and Lake Arcadia was completed by Solitude Lake Management in early Spring. Due to very low water levels, the channel on the Holland Pond side was not mechanically harvested and this work had to be postponed until the Spring of 2018, when the water level rises. A hydro-rake was used to create a path through the lily species (i.e. *Brasenia schreberi* and *Nymphaea odorata*) to allow for enhanced water flow from Holland Pond to Lake Arcadia. The Lake Committee also conducted a public workshop and tour in the Spring, partnering with DPW, to display the new storm water facilities installed along Lake Arcadia on Federal street.

The Lake Committee was very saddened by the passing of one of our committee members Cathy LeBlond. Her contributions to the Town were many and she will be greatly missed!!!

The Committee is anxious to begin new projects for the year 2019 and feels confident that the environment is favorable, within the local community, to protect these valuable resource areas within the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

LeeAnne Connolly, Chairman
Bonnie Strickland, Vice Chairman
Kathi Smith, Clerk
Jennica Gallagher

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

During 2018, the Memorial Committee worked through the Veterans' Agent Office to provide needed DD 214s ensuring military honors were provided at the veterans' funerals. Also, DD 214s were processed or evaluated for names to be included on the various war memorials in Town.

Please contact my office at 323-0409 if you have any questions or concerns for the Memorial Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond J. Janke
Veterans' Agent

PARKS, BEACH AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

We continue in our efforts to offer our community a wide range of recreational opportunities to meet the leisure and developmental needs of the citizens of Belchertown. Through the invaluable help of volunteers, coaches, the dedication of our part-time staff and program instructors, we were able offer several programs this past summer which included basketball, baseball, softball, lacrosse, tennis, field hockey, volleyball, Summer D.A.Y.S., flag football, soccer, golf, hiking, kayaking, youth police academy, along with various arts and crafts programs. We continue to serve the community with our year

round programs, baton twirling, yoga, tai chi, Zumba, pickleball and jujitsu. Some of the new programs we introduced this year included; horseback riding, cooking & Legos. Enjoyment and safety of the participants in recreational programs will always be our number one goal.

We welcomed back many familiar faces along with new patrons this past summer to the Town Beach. We continue to improve the beach landscape as well as renovate the facilities. Once again, offering a family night on the beach watching a movie was a popular attraction.

With the support of our loyal patrons we are able to continue to offer the following programs at our community indoor pool; Stingray's Swim Team, American Red Cross Learn to Swim group Classes, private lessons, morning water exercise classes, lap swim and fun family swim. Private rentals of the pool continue to be very popular booking throughout the year.

The Belchertown Recreation Center continues to offer space for our programming such as sing-it-loud safe sitter, cupcake creations, CPR, and adult programing. New programs include adult cooking and safe@home. The Center is a popular place to rent for children's birthday parties, events or meetings.

As always we greatly appreciate the tremendous amount of time that our coaches, assistant coaches and volunteers unselfishly give to the youth of this community. We acknowledge the assistance we receive from the Dept. of Public Works, Town Hall offices and the Belchertown School Department, whose commitment to the residents of the town make it possible for this department to be able to offer a variety of programming.

To learn more about what we offer and to register for programs check out our online system at www.belchertownrec.com.

PLANNING BOARD

In 2018, the Planning Board continued projects from last year, initiated and pursued several new zoning and planning projects, supported the work of other boards and committees, and continued to monitor current private development projects.

The exciting thing the planning department has been working on is the Lake Wallace Sensory Trail, a fully accessible path from State Street to Foley Field with educational, historical, and natural elements to be integrated with Carriage Grove, the former Belchertown State School. We obtained two grants toward this, one from the Community Preservation funds vote at town meeting, and the other from MassDevelopment's Commonwealth Places program. That second one was a match of money raised through crowd-funding, and we raised enough to reach the \$50,000 match. Great thanks to Team Jessica, Inc. who contributed their expertise and energy to help raise the match. In an example of what community really means, they see the Lake Wallace Sensory Trail as a continuation of their mission. Our design consultant, TKDesignLab, has also donated many hours of expertise to get this project closer to realization. We will continue to apply for grants and hope to see construction in 2019. Continued donations from the public will help this along.

Work on the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness plan was completed by our consultant, Fuss and O'Neill. This was done under a \$15,000 grant obtained from the state. Further grants resulting from this will go toward replacing culverts and other work to improve our community's ability to withstand the increases in extreme weather resulting from climate change.

The Planning Board looks for every planning effort to be a community project. Community contributions and insights are what result in plans that work for us because they are from us. Cooperation and positive spirit can bring good results.

Development Activity

Subdivision Approval Not Required (ANR): Any time someone is to change a property line, even if the same person owns the two adjoining lots, the plan must be endorsed by the Planning Board and recorded at the Hampshire Registry of Deeds. If the change does not create a new building lot, or if it does create a building lot but each new lot has the required frontage on an existing public street, subdivision approval is not required. The Planning Board must simply endorse the plan indicating that it does not create a subdivision.

Twelve new building lots were created along existing town roads through ANR plans. There were numerous other ANR plans submitted that simply moved property lines without creating new building lots. The new building lots were created as listed:

Street	# New Lots
Michael Sears Road	4
Franklin Street	2
South Washington Street	2
George Hannum Road	1
Munsell Street	1
North Washington Street	1
State Street	1
Total Lots	12

The Planning Board monitored eleven subdivisions under construction during 2018. This includes inspections, processing performance guarantee changes, meeting with developers to discuss how to assist them in completing their work, and communicating with residents of the subdivisions.

The Harris Industrial Park (Harris Way) subdivision off Bay Road was completed.

The Planning Board is also actively seeking to close out existing subdivisions that have lingered. The board works with developers to create a work plan and seeks to help the developers fulfill their obligations to complete the projects.

Other Development Reviews:

The Planning Board approved site plans for Relentless Towing and Claymates, and amendments to the approved site plans of Orchard Villa and Summerhill condominium projects, Pride Stores, and the former Belchertown Garden Center, now Soundscape Merchandise. Eight special permits were granted for accessory apartments.

The Planning Board reviewed several commercial solar projects in 2018. Three of them were small enough to require site plan approval only – one on Bardwell Street, and one on Jabish Street, with one on Federal Street still being reviewed. Three others are substantially large and require both site plan approval and a zoning special permit. One of these, along Franklin Street, was approved, while one off Gulf Road has been going through a great amount of review and has not yet been resolved. At the year's end, there were two more applications for projects to be reviewed in 2019: one off Daniel Shays Highway and one off Railroad Street.

Planning Projects and Recommendations

The Planning Board makes recommendations to town meeting on proposed revisions to the zoning bylaw. Sometimes the Planning Board proposes a change, in other cases, other parties request a change to the zoning bylaw or map. Any change in zoning requires an application to the Board of Selectmen, and for

the Planning Board to hold a public hearing and make a recommendation to town meeting. The Planning Board does not sponsor nor support every proposed change to the zoning bylaw or map.

In 2018 the Planning Board proposed revisions to some of the zoning bylaws, which were adopted by town meeting. A notable one resulted from working with the Selectmen, Police Chief, Health Director, and others to write a non-medical marijuana bylaw. The Planning Board also presented a proposed bylaw regarding alcohol production to address the increasing interest in small brewing and distilling operations. The last amendment adopted was a change to the accessory apartment bylaw. At year-end, we are considering changes to the commercial solar photovoltaic bylaw to better manage the changes in that industry that have resulted in projects that are not what the public anticipated in encouraging solar projects.

Other Work of the Planning Department

The Planning Board's web page is maintained by the Planning Department. This site has the subdivision regulations, forms, other documents, and some useful planning-related links. We also oversee the town's Geographic Information System, including working with the vendors for the site available to the public on the web site.

Continuous activities of the planning office and Planning Board include reviewing and processing plans, monitoring projects, voting on development and land division applications, and making recommendations to the zoning board of appeals and other boards. The Planning Board reviews requests for changes to zones and the zoning by-law and makes zoning recommendations to town meeting. The Planning Board reviews common drive developments, subdivisions, "Approval Not Required" plans, non-residential site plans, earth removal plans, and wireless communication facility plans. The Planning Board also made recommendations to the selectmen on the town's right of first refusal to purchase land held under Chapter 61 restrictions. The board also advises and assists other town offices, developers, property owners, and the public.

The planning department provided assistance and advice to the Economic Development and Industrial Corporation, and to MassDevelopment on the state school redevelopment.

The town planner manages the planning office and assists the Planning Board in development review, procedural interpretation, and research. The town planner also coordinates planning and reviews with other town offices, the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, developers, residents, and businesses. The town planner maintains contacts with the UMass Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning department, state agencies, our legislators, professional planning organizations, and planning colleagues. The Planning Board continued involvement with the Quaboag Valley Community Development Corporation and the Quaboag Hills Chamber of Commerce to support small business development. The town planner represents Belchertown on both the chamber's economic development committee, and the CDC's regional transportation committee. The town planner also is on the board of the Valley Development Council, the executive committee of the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, and the Pioneer Valley Regional Housing Committee.

Board Membership

The Planning Board membership in 2018 was as follows:

- James Natle, Chair, (term expires: 2019);
- Justin Rosienski, Commissioner to the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (term expires: 2019);
- Michael Hofler, single signature authority, Community Preservation Committee liaison (term expires: 2020);
- Daniel Beaudette, Vice Chair, (term expires: 2021);
- Louis Faassen, Clerk, (term expires: 2023)
- Alice Knittel, Alternate Voting Member for Special Permits (Appointed annually);

Past members during the year were:

- Mark Spiro, (term expired in 2018);
- Sierra Pelletier, (resigned);
- Eric Wojtowicz, Alternate Voting Member for Special Permits, (term expired in 2018).

Staff

- Lynn Sikes is the Planning Board Secretary;
- Douglas Albertson is the town planner and alternate commissioner to the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Planning Board,

Douglas Albertson
Town Planner

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Many improvements in our ability to provide quality service to the community have been realized in the past year. We've continued to implement several positive changes that have increased the efficiency and effectiveness of our resources. We continue to utilize a targeted and directed patrol philosophy in order to address specific issues throughout town.

The Police Department successfully completed a state accreditation certification assessment and has met the high standard necessary to be awarded certification by the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission. This process has been an arduous one, resulting from the hard work of every officer and dispatcher of the department. The Belchertown Police Department is now one of only a few municipal police agencies in Western MA to achieve this distinction.

The Police Department and Communication's Center were very successful in receiving grant funding, with a total of \$150,766 received in 2018. Grant funding include the following:

- \$71,596 for emergency dispatch training & salaries
- \$34,750 to provide specialized mental health & critical incident training to all officers
- \$13,000 for DART (Drug Addiction Recovery Team) outreach
- \$11,000 for traffic safety
- \$9,300 to purchase active shooter response safety equipment
- \$7,620 ballistic protective vests for officers
- \$3,500 purchase second traffic speed display board

The Communication's Center became a 911 Wireless Direct Call Center, with all cellular phone calls now being directed to, and answered at, the Belchertown Police Department. This change saves valuable time which enhances public safety. Previously, these calls were answered at a state dispatch location and then transferred to Belchertown. The dispatch center has also been upgraded to accept 911 text calls. The public is reminded to call whenever you are able and text when you cannot make a phone call.

In order to find lasting solutions to complex issues and ensure offender accountability and resident safety; we continue to participate in several partnerships involving various social service, law enforcement, and community organizations. The Department is extremely active in the regional DART (Drug Addiction Recovery Team) program which offers support and recovery resources to individuals with substance abuse disorders and their family members. We have also partnered with the Behavioral Health Network and continue to provide our grant-funded in-station civilian victim advocate program.

During the year we expanded our community-oriented policing initiatives, including the debut of our first Public Safety Night which included tours of the station and the participation of many area service providers. We also held our first-ever police-citizen pick-up basketball games. We held another successful Youth Summer Police Academy, participated in monthly COA luncheons and TRIAD events, blood drives and winter sand for seniors. Our K-9 Unit participated in numerous activities and demonstrations. The annual toy drive, drug take back event, Citizen's Police Academy, RAD, and Coffee with a Cop sessions were also widely popular. We are constantly searching for new and innovative ways to interact with the community and build partnerships.

Personnel changes during the year included the retirement of Sergeant William Panto, and the resignations of part time officers Jeremiah McBride and Edward Smith. Officer Neil Lozier was promoted to the rank of sergeant and Officer Jared LaValle became the town's newest full-time patrol officer. Auxiliary Officers Hanna Hulse and Matthew Menard were appointed part-time police officers, and Eric Girard was hired as a full time dispatcher.

In 2018 the police department responded to 15,861 calls for service, resulting in 211 people arrested or summoned to court on criminal offenses, and 703 incident reports completed. There were 263 motor vehicle crashes investigated and 1164 citations issued.

The following lists a selected number of incidents investigated and reports completed, and/or criminal charges brought forward:

Abuse Prevention Order Violation	26	Animal Cruelty	1
Assault /Assault & Battery	41	Aggravated Assault	28
Assist Fire/EMS	24	Burglary/ Breaking & Entering	36
Child Pornography	5	Counterfeiting/Forgery	16
Destruction of Property	39	Disorderly Conduct	12
Disturbance	58	Drug Offenses	9
Domestic Assault & Battery	28	DUI Drugs/Alcohol	15
Gun Law Violations	14	Identity Theft/Impersonation	15
Intimidation	12	Juvenile Issues	16
K-9 Deployments	46	Larceny of Property	92
Liquor Law Violations	13	Medical/Mental	64
Missing Persons	9	Motor Vehicle Theft	4
Negligent Vehicle Operation	24	Sexual Assault	3
Sexual Assault/Rape Child	10	Sudden Death	28
Trespassing	12	Warrant Arrests	36

The Police Department and Communication's Center would like to express our sincere thanks to the other town departments, town government, and members of the community for the continued support and cooperation shown during the past year.

Respectfully,

Christopher G. Pronovost
Chief of Police



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The entire DPW is to be commended for their performance throughout the winter of 2018. This season comprised of cyclical combinations of abnormal snowstorms, unusual temperature swings and torrential rainfall events that kept our entire crew on the move from plowing to flood control. On January 4th we experienced an anomaly called "Cyclogenesis" which brought three storms together at the same time.

This solo event blanketed our area with 10" of heavy wet snow accompanied by 50 mph winds and heavy rainfall. As a result, our crews worked tirelessly keeping drainage culverts flowing from excessive flooding caused by frozen ground conditions. March of 2018 was one of the worst winter months with four Nor'easters (March 2 - Storm Riley; March 7 - Storm Quinn; March 13 - Storm Skylar; March 21 - Storm Toby) striking the East Coast within 17 days; each presenting their own unique set of impacts that ultimately forced us to request snow emergency funding. Continual and antagonistic snow events rounded out the month of April with storms occurring on April 2, 15 and 19 making it difficult to begin our annual spring cleanup process. Overall, this year's snowfall accumulation totaled 64.50" produced by 32 events; slightly less than in year 2017 (73"/25 events). Finally, on April 24th we transitioned from plowing to mowing with all divisions moving ahead with the following projects listed in this report, just to name a few.

BUILDINGS GROUNDS AND MAINTENANCE: Duties included caring for all town buildings, 200+ acres of grounds/open space including recreational and school fields, conservation trails, nine cemeteries, athletic fields and town properties. This division spent most of their time performing routine maintenance activities including snow removal, painting, equipment repair, mowing, field preparations, annual cemetery cleaning, leaf raking and the installation of seasonal decorations. They also completed an impressive list of time consuming projects that required the proper training and knowledge to perform. It should also be noted that all projects meet the most current energy reduction guidelines, as shown here below:

- Conducted Family Center renovation consisting of LED Lighting and HVAC System installation awarded by Green Communities Competitive Grant.
- Assisted with the replacement of a new boiler at Lawrence Memorial Town Hall.
- Conducted restoration of BCTV building due to extensive water damage.
- Assisted with roof replacement at the Belchertown Police Department.
- Assisted the Belchertown Lighting Committee with restoration of town holiday lighting.
- Assisted with the annual setup and removal of the Belchertown Fair.
- Conducted annual repairs to the Town Common which consisted of grading, loaming, and seeding to re-establish the turf.
- Repaired baseball fields at High School and Jabish School.
- Conducted the seeding and fertilization of all recreation and school fields.
- Annual maintenance and mowing of town owned buildings and cemeteries.
- Maintained and reported on all 48 retention ponds throughout town ways.
- Replaced ramps and railings at Freedom Center.
- Blocked in leaking windows in basement at Recreation and Freedom buildings.
- Replaced walk way to MIS Department building.
- Trimmed low hanging branches and fallen trees at Foley field, Swift River and Family Center.
- Removed leaves from all town buildings and cemeteries.
- Completed installation of streetlights on Berkshire Avenue & Front Street

This Division also assisted with town wide annual roadside mowing and brush cutting activities. Nearly all of the roads were mowed and approximately two miles of roadsides were cleared of excess brush to increase sight distance and to provide space for snow storage.

CEMETERY DIVISION: In 2018, the Department conducted a total of 26 burials consisting of 12 earthen burials and 14 cremations. In addition, 10 Deeds were issued for 22 lots as many people are now purchasing multiple lots to secure future family burials. Other routine activities included archiving burials, lot sales, mapping, grounds maintenance, lot layouts, snow staking and pinning of cemetery burial rows and headstone repair. The Cemetery Division archives all deceased and houses burial certificates in fire-proofed cabinets for long-term preservation. In addition, this division aids genealogical researchers and processes military markers sent from the Department of Veterans Affairs to ensure those who died in service are properly recognized.

EARTH DAY: The Department celebrated its annual Earth Day event on Sunday, April 22, 2018, by offering town recyclable orange trash bags for residents wishing to partake in the collection of roadside trash. A total of 355 small trash bags were provided to 17 participants including Belchertown Girl Scout Troups, 4H Group and Friends of Farm (NESFI), who picked up trash throughout the Town. In addition, this year the Hampshire County Sheriff's office community service program removed trash on the following roads: South Street, South Washington Street, Chauncey Walker Street, Turkey Hill Road, George Hannum Street, Hamilton Street, Bay Road and Stebbins Street. The Department wishes to thank everyone who participated in this event and appreciates your efforts towards keeping Belchertown clean.

FOREST MANAGEMENT PROJECTS – 2018

Forest Cutting Project	Start Date	Awarded Vendor	Project Cost/ Acreage	Completed
Constantino Lot	February, 2018	Anderson Timber Harvesting Co.	\$23,220.00/50 acres	March, 2018
Jabish Brook South Lot	February, 2018	Anderson Timber Harvesting Co.	\$16,533.65/40 acres	March, 2018

In addition, the DPW held two bid openings for new forest cutting projects this year: Corr-Welch Lot and the BEDIC Lot on July 12, 2018. As a result, the high bidders' proposals were rejected and were informed by the Town that both projects were being placed on hold until sustainable forest management objectives could yield a greater benefit.

GREEN COMMUNITIES: The Department of Public Works has now completed its tenth year of reporting since Green Communities designation in May, 2010. (FY'09). Our Annual Green Community Report was submitted on November 29, 2018 to MassDOER consisting of monthly statistical data that culminates into a lengthy annual report in order for Belchertown to successfully maintain its Green Community status and qualify to apply for the Green Community Competitive Grant annual round.

GRANTS:

- **CPA GRANT CEMETERY PINS & BOUNDS - \$10,000:** For pinning and bound row markings for the creation of new cemetery rows in South Cemetery. Status: Completed, September, 2018.
- **GREEN COMMUNITY COMPETITIVE GRANT #3 - \$46,897:** For two Energy Conservation Measures (ECM's) implemented at the Belchertown Family Center; installation of new HVAC System Components and 66 new LED Interior/Exterior Lights. Status: Completed, November, 2018. (Note: GCCG Award total to date \$460,000).
- **LAKE ARCADIA 319 GRANT - \$69,780:** For anticipated work along Federal Street at Lake Arcadia and to provide long-term operation and maintenance of the Best Management Practices (BMP's), when installed. (40% Match by Town (DPW, Lakes Committee, Conservation Commission)). Status: Completed, July, 2018.
- **MASS DEP GRANT - \$6000:** For the installation of a three sided shed for re-use as a "Swap Shop" to be installed at the Transfer Station. Status: Grant Awarded/Status Ongoing.
- **MASS DEP/RDP GRANT - \$3500:** For the "Recycling Dividends Program" in which payments are provided to municipalities who maximize reuse, recycling and waste reduction. Status: Completed, September, 2018.
- **MASSWORKS 604b GRANT - \$50,000:** For assistance to aid with unfunded costs incurred as a result of the newly regulated EPA storm water program. Status: Ongoing.
- **MVP GRANT (Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program Action Grant Proposal) - \$151,437:** For the Town to identify and provide recommendations and concept designs for high-priority crossings to enhance community resilience, mitigate existing and potential flooding, and increase stream continuity and aquatic passage; to include recommendations for areas that are heavily impacted by beaver activity. Status – Ongoing.

- **NION ROBERT THIERIOT FOUNDATION - \$1580.00:** For the funding and installation of a flexible pond leveler water device for controlled beaver-related flooding. Status: Grant Awarded/Project Ongoing.

HAZARDOUS WASTE: The DPW participates in the annual Pioneer Valley Reciprocal Event to which several adjacent neighboring cities and towns welcome Belchertown residents to dispose of their hazardous waste materials properly. A full list of event holders is perpetually posted on our DPW website (www.belchertown.org) for those residents seeking to keep a safe and green community through proper disposal methods. In addition, Belchertown residents utilized New England Disposal Technologies (NEDT) to drop off their hazardous items which totaled 1779 gallons/pounds of material.

HIGHWAY DIVISION: This division tackled many areas of work to include reparations to our roads, potholes, roadside maintenance, culvert pipe replacement and several drainage issues. Other activities included crack sealing, clearing of brush and vegetation from the roadsides, removing debris and sediment from detention basins, catch basin cleaning, street sweeping, sign installation, line painting and repairing equipment kept everyone on the move. Our roads remained well-traveled and maintained during all seasons of year 2018. During 2017-2018 snow season our average expenditure per inch of snow removed from the roadways was \$5105.19 approximately 21% higher than 2016-2017 season (FY'17/\$4212.55). The total cost for the season was \$334,389.78

This division was responsible for the preparations of all resurfacing/reclamation/overlay projects with bituminous concrete overlay and lane markings. The following streets received this much needed work.

2018 Roadway Resurfacing & Reconstruction Projects

Street	Length/Ft.	Width/Ft.	Cost
Gold Street	7930	20	\$158,930.00
Knight Street	803	21	\$11,729.90
Turkey Hill Road	2547	21.8	\$31,461.00
Rockrimmon Street	273	22.5	\$2,937.00
North Washington St.	2130	23	\$430.50
North Liberty Street	7436	23	\$12,897.78
Warren Wright Street	8010	21.8	\$16,996.14
Allen Street	6271	21.5	\$2669.00
George Hannum Street	864	27.6	\$22,921.00
<i>Totals: 9 Streets, Total Length; 36,264: Cost: \$260,972.32 = 6.9 miles</i>			

ROADWAYS & RECONSTRUCTION: Main & Maple Street – The Main & Maple Street Roadway Improvement Project for the reconstruction of one of the towns heaviest traveled corridors is now at 75% MassDOT approval and progressing. This project entails the installation of two new intersection signals, curbing, sidewalks and crosswalk line striping/painting for the congested area located in the southerly area of town by the Police Station and Belchertown School District. The projects estimated cost is approximately \$5.4 million dollars. In addition, we were able to acquire all associated public way easements for this project via unanimous resident vote under Article 33 at Annual Town Meeting held on May 14, 2018. By mid-September the project went out to bid seeking appraiser and review appraiser services to review those properties along the route that will have slight, if any impact from the upcoming associated work. On October 3, 2018 the final combined bid award(s) of \$46,002 went to A.M. Appraisal Services and Simcox Appraisal Services to conduct appraisal services on those properties affected by this project. This project is slated to begin Spring, 2019.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT: Annually, this Department reviews all Stormwater Management applications thus completing 26 applications in 2018. DPW Annual Stormwater Compliance Training was held on April 4th led by William Guenther and Julianne Busa, Project Engineers from Fuss & O'Neil. Additionally, this Department continued to advance its work regarding the MS4 Bylaw (approved at

ATM –April 26, 2017) in order to comply with the IDDE Program and with the assistance of Engineers Fuss & O’Neil, Inc. the lead team to review our town-wide catch basins relating to storm water discharge.

SAFETY: Our Safety Committee was active this past year as well organizing departmental training in several topics to include: Work Zone /Traffic Safety, CPR, Confined Space, Lockout/Tag out, Fall Protection, and OSHA 10. They also completed a walkthrough of the DPW buildings to insure safe work practices and improvements were to be implemented.

SURPLUSED/SALVAGED VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT

- 1974 Le-ROI Compressor, Max200psi
- Power America Pressure Washer 1540-4.5GPM
- 1984 Chevy D-30, 1 Ton Dump Truck
- 2000 Ford Ranger-Vin# 1GCGD34JXEF369105
- Kohler Generator-Model 30RZ82-30kw –#10110
- Onan Generator Model 30Dec4R8/4864B -30kw-# 1160924907
- Eager Beaver Morbark Portable Chipper/Trailer Model SP111HP3

NEW VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT

- 3-2018 Ford F-350 Trucks
- 1-2018 Freightliner 108SD

TRANSFER STATION: All aspects of the towns’ waste disposal activities are monitored and in adherence to the Transfer Station Rules & Regulations. Violators consisting of non-permitted users and/or failure to use the town’s orange recyclable trash bags are identified and promptly notified. The Annual Transfer Station Rules & Regulations can be found on the DPW/Town website by accessing the www.belchertown.org.

Our residential number of household Transfer Station users totaled **1756** (FY’18). Participation varies slightly from year to year for those who desire to use our disposal/recycling program.

The following quantities of solid waste and recyclables were generated during year 2018.

<i>Recyclable</i>	<i>Per Unit(s)</i>	<i>Year 2017</i>	<i>Year 2018</i>
Paper & Cardboard (co-mingled)	Tons	576.41	555.5
Waste Oil (gals)	Single	1750	1200
Tires (single/tons)	Tons	438s	479s
Solid Waste (tons)	Tons	928.46	1186
Electronics (tons)	Tons	14.55	11.56
Scrap Steel (tons)	Tons	92.1	102.2
Textile (tons)	Tons	3.33	2.6

In addition, the Department was able to maintain pricing since FY09 for Transfer Station Permit Stickers which are currently set at \$100.00 annually and discounted for senior citizens age 65+ at \$80.00. Bag fees remained steady at \$20.00 for large (10 per bundle) and \$13.00 for small bags (10 per bundle). Bags may be purchased at a variety of in-town stores, DPW, Finnerty House and the Transfer Station for resident convenience.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT: This past year the Wastewater Treatment Plant received and treated approximately 163,060,000 gallons of wastewater; greater than in 2017 which was 121,990,000 gallons. They also acquired twenty-nine new service connections; six were from within the Tri-Lakes Sewer System and twenty three were in the Central Sewer System. This brings the total number of customers served to 1851 equivalent dwelling units (EDU’s).

The WWTP Staff also kept busy working on facility operations and improvements including: employee training, process tank repairs, electrical wiring replacement, a Supervisor Control and Data Acquisitions Computer (SCADA) upgrade and Programmable Logic Control (PLC) programming.

This Division also completed an Inflow and Infiltration Study which was initiated to assess the conditions of the sewerage collections systems. The findings from this I&I Study has helped to identify the segments of our sewerage collection which will need further investigations. The next phase is to locate the causes of excess inflow and infiltration known as a Sewer System Evaluation Survey (SSES). The first phase of our SSES activities will start in spring of 2019 to include manhole identification, flow isolation gauging and data evaluation.

Other sewerage collection system work completed during 2018 included visual inspections of trouble areas, video inspections, and a cleaning of approximately 6000 feet of collection system. From these inspections, the staff was able to locate and repair 12 sewer structures and 60 feet of sewer main including sectional spot repairs, inverts rebuilding and frame & cover replacements.

TREE AND VEGETATION CONTROL: As with every year, the Towns Tree Warden attends the Massachusetts Tree Warden & Foresters Association Annual Conference in order to receive recertification and accreditation to conduct work in the field. In year 2018, the Tree Warden supervised the removal of 224 trees consisting of the following varieties: 41 oak, 22 ash, 22 pine, 117 maples, 4 elm, 1 hickory, 7 cherry, 9 locus and 1 poplar. All of these trees were damaged, or deceased publicly owned street trees ranging in size from eight inches to four feet in diameter. In addition, numerous on-site visits were conducted in order to determine various reports of tree damage caused by weather damage, rot, or infestation of various nature to include the second year plight of the gypsy moth.

CONCLUDING STATEMENT: In closing, the Department of Public Works is a team of dedicated employees who continue to conquer the ever growing list of projects placed before us each and every year, successfully. I look forward to a prosperous and exciting year 2019.

Respectfully submitted,
Steven J. Williams, Director of Public Works

Highway Division

Darin Braese - Heavy Equipment Operator II
Edwin Burton - Highway Working Foreman
Roland Chagnon - Heavy Equipment Operator II
Terry Chevalier - Laborer
Jonathan Grossman - Laborer
Christopher Laurenzo - Highway Division Supervisor
Denis Lessard - Heavy Equipment Operator II
Donna Lusignan - Administrative Assistant/DPW
David Martel - Highway Mechanic/Truck Driver
John Panzetti - Heavy Equipment Operator I
Leo Pet - Heavy Equipment Operator I
Ronald Ritter - Heavy Equipment Operator I
Luke Toussaint - Highway Mechanic/Truck Driver
Kristine Young - Department Assistant I/DPW
Alton Lee - DPW/Maintenance Seasonal

Maintenance Division

Max Bock - DPW/Building & Grounds Supervisor
David Clegg - Maintenance Working Foreman
Melissa Cook - Laborer
Glenn Durham - Laborer
Karl Jensen - Building Custodian
Christopher Johnson - Maint. Worker Bldgs/Grounds

Maintenance Division continued

Nicholas Leduc - Laborer
Samantha Taylor - Building Custodian
Miguel Vazquez - Laborer
Benjamin Bachand - DPW/Maintenance Seasonal
Damon Bachand - DPW/Maintenance Seasonal
David Ortiz - DPW/Maintenance Seasonal
Cole Walker - DPW/Maintenance Seasonal
Caitlin Andrew - Maintenance Seasonal
Lawrence Belbin - Laborer
Jeffrey Grossman - Laborer
Timothy Pelletier - Maintenance Seasonal

Transfer Station

Elmer Dodge - Supervisor
Joshua Miller - Laborer

Wastewater Treatment Plant

Heather Blanchard - Operator I
Rollin DeWitt - Operations Supervisor
Sean Madden - Laborer
David Wanczyk - Operator II
Terrence Yates - Operator I
Jaime Williams - Laborer

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The Scholarship Committee awards scholarships annually, when there are available funds, to Belchertown residents in pursuit of higher education and for the purpose of providing financial aid towards the costs of college tuition, books, fees, etc. Applicants may be graduates of Belchertown High School, Pathfinder Vocational Technical High School, or a home-school program. The existing scholarship fund balance as of December 31, 2018 was \$4793.19.

In 2018 and as a non-profit Committee, we continued our fundraising efforts through the use of informational flyers inserted into the town's quarterly tax billing cycles. These inserts provide insight as to who we are, what we do and how individuals may make a contribution/donation to the scholarship fund. Other avenues included press releases with the assistance of the Belchertown Sentinel Newspaper, and outreach to the Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical School and the Town of Belchertown website: www.belchertown.org.

It's been three years (2015) since the Scholarship Committee has been able to issue awards due to depleted funds but with hard work and community donations, the Committee was able to award three graduating BHS students a \$1000 scholarship each at Senior Awards Night on May 30, 2018 held at the Belchertown High School. All grant award recipients were commended for their pursuit of higher learning.

In addition, the scholarship committee received a pledge from a private anonymous contributor to match up to \$2500 beginning October 1, 2018. As of this report, the current pledged amount is \$962.95 and will continue growing into year 2019 with community support. We look forward to awarding individuals again at the 2019 BHS Scholarship Award Ceremony.

The Scholarship Committee depends on the generosity of the citizens and businesses of Belchertown via contributions which can be sent to the Belchertown Scholarship Fund c/o: The Town of Belchertown's Treasurer Collectors Office or by adding any amount to their quarterly tax bill payment. In addition, contributions may be made by accessing the town's website at www.belchertown.org or visiting the Treasurers/Collectors Office located within the Lawrence Memorial Hall office for those wishing to make a check payment in person.

In closing, we remain grateful to those who have made a one-time contribution, our private and anonymous contributors and to those who continue to generously donate over the years. Please know that we will strive to continue helping our students of tomorrow.

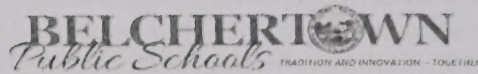
Members:

- Erica Rose, At-Large Member, Vice-Chairman
- Karol Coffin, Superintendent Rep., Clerk
- Lorraine Alves, Pathfinder Regional Rep., Clerk
- Lisa Aiken, Home School Rep.
- Michael Knapp – School Committee Rep., Vice-Chair (Resigned: 6/25/2018)
- Ruby Bansal, School Committee Rep., (as of 8/13/2018)
- Donna Robbins –High School Council Rep. (Resigned: 12/17/2018)

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Lusignan, Chairman
Scholarship Committee

SCHOOLS



Superintendent of Schools: Again this year I invite you to view the Belchertown Public School web page at www.belchertownps.org which features information about the District as a whole, the School Committee and our five schools: Cold Spring Early Childhood Center for Preschool and Kindergarten, Swift River Elementary School grades 1-3, Chestnut Hill Community School grades 4-6, Jabish Brook Middle School grades 7 and 8, and Belchertown High School grades 9-12. As an additional means of communication the Principals and I continued our Twitter accounts where school activities and events were posted. In 2018 BPS received input from stakeholders through a culture survey which provided positive and constructive feedback used to further a positive learning environment for students.

The elections of 2018 placed three new members on the School Committee while Town Meeting fully supported funding the School Department. The District welcomed a full time business manager in July and added a District Adjustment Counselor to assist all schools with an increase in students' needs. SRE was presented with multiple donations to create a piano lab for 1st, 2nd and 3rd graders. (Research has proven multiple benefits to brain development and learning through music instruction beginning at an early age.) Use of technology and Google Classroom expanded across the District grades 1-12 with a better understanding of screen time effects and development.

Food service expanded the breakfast program to include breakfast on a cart at CHCS. A dedicated group of community volunteers and staff expanded the garden between CHCS and SRE school buildings. The garden is an open classroom environment which produced food for use in the lunch program. As a result of requests to memorialize former employees, the GARDEN will again be expanded to provide more learning opportunities for students in 2019. This is truly a labor of love by volunteers who do so much for our schools.

In 2018 BPS received Grant funding from the State to create a STEM lab at the high school which expands the world of engineering and technology sciences for our students in 2019. BPS was designated as Grant recipients to repair the BHS tennis court and track. Grant funding enabled the district to move forward training staff in Tiered Interventions, Inclusion and Social Emotional Learning. A combination of Grant funding, operational funding and UMASS Bridges support made it possible for BPS to Partner with the "Life is Good Kids Foundation" supporting staff who impact our students learning on a daily basis. The educational landscape became more complex in our rapidly evolving world.

I encourage you to read each of the following school department's contributions to learn the greater story of the Belchertown Public Schools. If you have any questions please contact the Superintendent's office. As always, thank you to our families and the community for entrusting BPS with the responsibility of educating the students in our community.

Director of Finance and Operations Report: The Fiscal Year 2019 (FY19) school district budget was approved at the May Town Meeting in the amount of \$29,170,164 which was an increase of \$938,293 or 3.32% over the prior year. Starting last fall the budgeting process was initiated through the input provided by the Building Principals, school staff and the School Councils. Throughout the development of the budget the Superintendent and District staff held meetings with the Finance & Budget Subcommittee of the School Committee, the Town Administrator, the Town Finance Committee and the Select Board to review budget details and solicit feedback and input.

In June of 2018 the District experienced a change of leadership in the Business Office when long time contracted Business Manager Ed Dunn retired and moved to Florida. During his 11-year tenure in the District Mr. Dunn made a number of positive improvements to the District's financial operations, and we wish him the best in his retirement. In July, Belchertown resident, Joseph Scanlon, started as the Director of Finance & Operations bringing 12-years of experience from other Massachusetts school districts. As

the calendar year changes over, long-time Bookkeeper Ann Marie Beaupre (who at one time had also served as the Food Service Manager) will be retiring.

Throughout the year the Business Office closely monitors and manages the District's finances. The Munis accounting system used by the School Department conforms to state requirements and the Business Office uses sound accounting practices. The Director of Finance & Operations reviews the budget regularly with the Superintendent and the School Committee receives monthly financial reports regarding payroll and accounts payable warrants. Combined with the annual operating budget of \$29,170,164 the school district Business Office also manages State and Federal Grants of \$595,408, School Revolving funds of \$599,800, and a School Choice revolving fund of \$1,244,352 which comprised a total financial operation of \$31,609,724 in FY19.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Scanlon, Director of Finance & Operations

Student Support Services: The year started off with our English Language Learner (ELL) students participating for a sixth year in the "Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to-State (ACCESS)" testing. This assessment was given to students identified as ELs in Kindergarten through 12th grade to identify their English proficiency in reading, writing, thinking, and speaking. Our students worked diligently on this assessment and the data obtained has helped the district better determine the best educational approach for each of the students who participated.

The Student Support Services continues to oversee special education programs and services, English Language Learner programs, Section 504, Title I, Homelessness, and compliance of civil rights policies. Basically, the Student Support Services Department does exactly what the name suggests, in that it provides support services for our students.

Special Education programs and services are responsible for providing educational services to students who experience academic difficulty because of a disability consisting of a developmental delay, or an intellectual, sensory, neurological, emotional, communication, physical, specific learning or health impairment, or any combination of the aforementioned. Children ages three to twenty-two, who have not received a high school diploma, are eligible for special education services. In addition to providing for the academic needs of children identified as having a disability, the program provides related services to assist students in making effective educational progress. These services consist of, but are not limited to, psychological services, counseling for school-related issues, occupational therapy, physical therapy, vision and mobility training, and speech/language therapy. Students with special needs are provided educational services in a variety of settings ranging from full inclusion in the regular classroom to out-of-district placements. The school district also provides extended school year services for special education students' preK-12 to prevent substantial loss of previously learned skills and/or substantial difficulty in relearning skills.

The Student Support Services Department welcomes Donna DeCaro to the department as the new district school adjustment counselor.

For the past couple of years, the Student Support Service Department has been working with building principals to increase "inclusive education" for all students within the district. The district has contracted with an outside consultant to help facilitate this process. Increasing "inclusive education" may be long and challenging at times, but ultimately this transition can strengthen a school community and support and address the individual needs of each child. As such, effective models of inclusive education not only benefit students with disabilities, but also create an environment in which every student, including those who do not have disabilities, has the opportunity to flourish.

Finally, the Student Support Services Department continues to work hard to improve and increase communication with families and community members. I look forward to building and maintaining relationships with parents, community members and with the Parent Advisory Council to continue working collaboratively towards improving the best education to all students.

Respectfully Submitted

Brian Cameron, Assistant Superintendent/Director of Student Support Services

Teaching and Learning Director's Report: The primary responsibilities for the Office of Teaching and Learning include assisting administration and faculty with standards-based curriculum alignment, development, and coordination (PK-12), strengthening instructional delivery, supporting supervision and evaluation, managing student assessment, and coordinating professional development.

In this regard, I continued to facilitate the District Instructional Leadership Team (DILT) this year in an effort align our PK-12 Professional Development efforts. We worked throughout the year to coordinate professional development activities that were focused, high quality, relevant to teachers' practice, connected to the school/district's mission, and had a positive impact on student learning. We continue to develop ways to assess PD offered in the district and to try to tap into the many talented professionals that we have in our district.

The focus of our curriculum and assessment work this year has been on History/Social Sciences (H/SS) and Science and Technology/Engineering (ST/E). Two teams of PK-12 educators are working diligently to update these curriculum guides—which are expected to be completed in the coming years. We are paying particular attention to the subject of Civics and continue to seek alternative sources of funding (e.g., grants, free training, and organizational partnerships).

Much of this year's Professional Development focused on *Social Emotional Learning* (SEL) – including presentations to all of our educators from the Life is Good Kids Foundation and several other local professionals focused on the social/emotional wellness of the adults in our district. We also continued our work with area consultants in order to develop educators' capacity to support their colleagues as they refine classroom practices which prioritize the purposeful integration of SEL. Other PD work touched on *Technology Integration*, developing *Trauma Centered Practices*, and *Data-Informed Decision Making*.

These four themes were also supported through building-based PD, district-offered PD opportunities, and partnerships with local colleges and collaboratives.

While my role is not evaluative (I do not directly supervise faculty), I do work with building principals and assistant principals on identifying the elements of high quality instruction and assessment in their classrooms. This can be done through: joint observations of teaching, mentoring, calibration activities, participation in faculty/department/team meetings, analysis of student data, etc. Spending time in classrooms with students and teachers continues to be the highlight of my day.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Shawn Fortin, Director of Teaching and Learning

Director of Buildings and Grounds – Annual Report: The Buildings and Grounds department is responsible for the maintenance of five schools and two associated buildings encompassing 478,000 square feet of building space.

This year we made it a priority to address the short term and long term capital improvement needs of the school buildings. We have begun creating a new 5 year Capital Improvement Plan and a 5 year Maintenance Plan that will continue to address the short term and long term needs of the school buildings in the future. Due to an article that was passed at the May town meeting, next year the school buildings will undergo more than \$600,000 in much needed capital improvement projects. We have been working

closely with our engineers and consultants to design proper equipment and bid specifications so that the projects can be completed in a timely manner and with minimal interruptions.

Projects that were completed during the year, in addition to ongoing maintenance of our school buildings included; Phone system replacement at Swift River Elementary School, Asbestos removal and new flooring installation at Cold Spring School, Masonry repairs and domestic hot water system replacement at Belchertown High School, Boiler replacement at Central Office and Parking lot repairs and safety upgrades districtwide.

I would like to acknowledge the hard work and diligent efforts of our custodial and maintenance staff who work every day to uphold the high standards of safety and cleanliness for Belchertown students and staff.

Respectfully submitted,
Eric Lebeau, FMP, BOC - Director of Buildings and Grounds

Information Services Department Town Report: This year we have begun preparations for shifting the districts Windows 7 computers to Windows 10 as required by FERPA regulations (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act). Windows 7 computers are going end of life in January 2020 and security patches from Microsoft will cease, allowing the operating system to become vulnerable hacks.

In the summer of 2018 we started this transition to Windows 10 by replacing all Senior Leadership Team members' laptops with new laptops, converting labs in schools and working with faculty to change over to Windows 10. These efforts will continue throughout the 2018/2019 year.

Economical Chrome devices (which number over 1600+ devices in dozens of classroom carts) have taken a leading role in district, especially during MCAS testing. There are still a number of labs, faculty, and front office staff that still use full Windows computers. For example, some labs are still Windows based to teach the students important Microsoft Office skills. A number of faculty just prefer a Windows computer. Front offices of schools still deal directly with the DESE which sends out information to districts in Word format and often deal with other complicated formats requiring full Windows computers.

Another big improvement in the summer of 2018 was the installation of new and improved Firewall. A Fortigate 500E which has improved the districts bandwidth shared by all schools from 200 Megabytes to 500 Megabytes. Built into the upgrade is the ability to expand our internet bandwidth to a total of 2 Gigabytes if needed in the upcoming years without having to swap in new hardware.

In 2018, the Digital Connections Partnership Schools Grant allowed the I.T. department to continue to fund major infrastructure improvements (wireless and switches) at zero cost. Half of the costs were covered by Erate and the other half of the project's bill will be returned to the Town via the grant program.

Our annual District Technology Survey showed that Chromebooks and G Suite (Google's Apps for Education) are well-liked by faculty and students. Most secondary teachers use Google's online classroom and students use Google docs both at home and in the schools.

Lastly, we have completed a multiyear effort to improve classroom technology. All classrooms now have wireless access and advanced projectors, and students now have access to economical and reliable Chromebooks on carts.

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Scott Karen, Director of Technology for Belchertown Public Schools

Food Service Department Director's Report: The food service department provides meals for students and staff. Approximately half of the student population participates in the school lunch program and about 15% of staff purchase lunch from the food service department. We provide free and reduced price meals to students who qualify, which represents 23% of student enrollment. All meals served in our kitchens are nut free, and we accommodate food allergies and disabilities.

Expanding the breakfast program has been a goal of the 2018-2019 school year. A mobile breakfast cart was added to Chestnut Hill Community School with grant funds from the New England Dairy Council after a need for a second point of service was identified during the breakfast program pilot year. It was observed that students dropped off right before the bell did not have adequate time to purchase breakfast due to the distance between the classrooms and the cafeteria. The breakfast cart is stationed in the main lobby of the school, making breakfast more accessible to students in this situation. A "Name the Cart" election, in which the students used a ballot system to cast votes, was held around Election Day to name the new cart; the winning candidate being "Cart-y B." Breakfast participation at Chestnut Hill has increased by 30% this year.

In January, students at BHS will enjoy a hot chocolate station at breakfast, funded by a grant from the New England Dairy Council.

This year, BPS food service is focusing on local foods and has formed a relationship with Randall's Farms in Ludlow to expand options offered to gluten free students. We purchase apples from UMASS Cold Spring Orchard and utilize a local fruit and vegetable vendor out of Pelham. We also utilize produce grown and harvested by students from the Belchertown School Garden.

We look forward to continuing to offer nutritious meals to our students and staff.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kelly Slattery, RD, LDN - Food Service Director

Cold Spring School (CSS) Director's Report: Cold Spring School continued to thrive during the 2018 school year providing a positive learning environment for approximately 200 of the youngest students in the district. Enrollment increased moderately from the previous year. Our students continued to receive a high quality, developmentally appropriate education in an enriched and safe learning environment. We believe in educating the "whole child" and spent a renewed focus on our students' social-emotional and physical development.

Our preschool program includes three and four-year-olds and serves as an ideal stepping stone for kindergarten readiness. Twenty of our preschoolers entered the kindergarten program while one hundred and sixty kindergarten students were promoted to first grade housed at Swift River Elementary School.

After two years of collaboration, the kindergarten educators developed a new standards-based kindergarten report card which was introduced during the 2017-18 academic year. This new reporting tool was well received by CSS families. Also, new to our school in November was the Breakfast Program. This was a huge success with over 45 students participating on a daily basis. The students enjoyed a healthy breakfast and were able to socialize with friends.

The Cold Spring School Council members developed a one-year school improvement plan to correlate with the school district's Strategic Plan. Both plans emphasized the importance of data collection, assessments, standards-based report cards, communication and engagement with families and community members along with the integration of STE and social competencies. School Council members for 2018 were: Andrea Mastalerz, co-chair/director; Tiffany Hoar, teacher representative; Catherine Wesloski, teacher representative, secretary; Louise Butler, community representative; Jennifer Jacque, parent representative.

Cold Spring School is fortunate to have an extensive Volunteer Program, an active Foster Grandparent Program, and an extremely supportive PTO. All of these organizations allow us to provide enrichment activities, additional resources, and materials to enhance the students' overall learning experiences. A local bank held a "Back to School" supply drive to ensure students had the necessary items to begin their school year. Families were very generous in providing requested classroom consumables as well. The CSS faculty and staff are grateful and appreciative to be able to collaborate with such dedicated individuals in providing our youngest students with an exceptional learning experience due to their collective efforts, contributions, and service. We are proud to have been able to provide our youngest learners with a solid foundation as they embark on their educational journey within the Belchertown Public School district.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrea Mastalerz, Director

Swift River Elementary School Principal's Report: The Swift River Elementary School had a very productive 2018 school year. Our mission is to provide a safe and developmentally appropriate learning environment that encourages and celebrates the efforts, interests, and abilities of all students. We continue to focus on increasing student achievement through improving assessment and instruction with scientifically based researched programs and embraced inclusive teaching practices to meet the needs of all students. As a school, we challenge and engage all students in a respectful, positive learning environment that fosters personal, social and academic growth in order to achieve success in a global society. The core values that drive our foundation of learning as a community of learners are six principles, they are: respect, responsibility, relationships, rigor, reflection and resilience. Currently our total enrollment for Swift River Elementary School in grades one, two and three is 480 students.

I would like to welcome Aniela Daker to Swift River Elementary, as our newly added 1st grade classroom teacher bringing us to 8 classrooms in 1st grade. We also had a second grade position opening following a retirement and were very fortunate to hire Naomi Dupre as a second grade teacher. Both teachers that were hired in the fall were among many outstanding candidates of a field of over 250+ applicants. We are fortunate to have this talent added to our staff. The second grade position opened up with the retirement of Sally Shattuck who has been with us for many years. We wish her all the best as she moves forward in her next chapter.

Over the course of 2018 there has been a lot of planning and restructuring to meet needs of our students and state requirements. Every school year we review and evaluate the needs of our students and determine educational resources, programing and direct instructional needs. This task came with understanding of budgetary allowances and the ability to work within guidelines to produce high impactful practices and models. In the fall of 2018 we were able to hire a full time first grade teacher based on an increasing enrollment as well as focusing on lowering class size to improve the delivery of small group instruction to yield higher impact. The following shifts were allocated to give us maximum use of staff and direct instruction. Through our restructuring efforts we were able to maintain valuable services and instructional delivery designs to meet the growing demand of educational needs.

During the Spring of 2018 all staff continue to use the Fountas and Pinnell benchmark assessment system with the expectation to administer a Fall, Winter and Spring benchmark assessment to receive instructional reading levels on every student. The data is analyzed and interventions are put in place and monitored throughout the year to track student growth. We have also piloted a program called Fountas and Pinnell Classroom in two first grade classrooms and one second grade classroom. The structure of this program focuses on readers' workshop model that allows students to learn in small guided reading groups, book clubs, phonics, spelling word studies, interactive read-alouds, shared reading and many mini lessons. At the end of this school year we will compare data results and possibly institute F&P Classroom in more classrooms. Using the Assessments allow teachers to adjust their practices and design lessons to for better understanding of skill development in all students.

Our One School, One story community read program is still going strong and has allowed every student in the school to receive two children literature books each school year that will accumulate into a small library of six books throughout their tenure at Swift River Elementary. Students were introduced to “Chester and Gus” in the Spring followed by a Fall reading of “Riding Freedom”. Using a community read-aloud helps foster the importance of reading and encourages a love for reading and a shared community conversation. All families were asked to participate and share their enthusiasm by participating in this school-wide event.

Our technology approach of the 2018 school year has been steadily growing to integrate differentiated teaching practices with real time data to enhance instruction. Our technology in each classroom has expanded for students to research; reinforce skills and progress monitoring to evaluate the effectiveness of instructional strategies being used. Our teachers continue to attain higher levels of proficiency by integrating this technology in their lessons. The variety of technologies used in the classroom are interactive projectors, document cameras, software programs that support skill development and Chromebook for 1:1 computing. We are moving forward to prepare for computer based MCAS assessment. This is now mandated throughout the Commonwealth.

Our inclusion classrooms are continuing the implementation of best models of teaching, utilizing six different models of instructional delivery and furthering their collaborative work through additional professional development. By the school adopting an inclusive design model, all classrooms will reinforce instruction through intervention groups based on Fountas & Pinnell assessments and provide the opportunity for differentiated centers that extend/reinforce reading and writing that has been taught in the classroom. We have also implemented many supplementary instruction/materials into our daily math teaching so that we can cover all of the topics covered in the new curriculum map and developing appropriate assessments.

Our Arts Enrichment program is becoming part of our culture at SRE and continues to grow with excitement, now in its fourth year for students in grades 2 and 3. Approximately 130 students in each grade level are participating in the program. The Enrichment Programs have greatly impacted the social and emotional development of all of our students with fewer conflicts and discipline issues that are addressed by administration. We have built over the past several years an assortment of activities all to the credit of our staff stepping outside of the box to explore areas of hands on, inquiry and collaborative exploration. One of our enrichment activities that highlights the school is our Superheroes of Kindness. This program gives kids the opportunity to help each other and teach one another the importance of a positive attitude.

Another shining example of our school community outreach is through our music department under the direction of Mr. Geoffrey Gould. Since the start of 2018 the music program has undergone significant changes and augmentations to our class pedagogical approaches as well as our place in the community in terms of creating new opportunities for quality performance.

We are continuing our student choir at SRE, with a consistent 100 students choosing to participate throughout the year. These students performed on Veterans Day and in front of our community at the first Belchertown Memorial Day Baseball game, which was created by the SRE music program. Our students will perform, “God Bless America” on the ice of the Mass Mutual Center in front of five thousand spectators to open a Springfield Thunderbirds game and now have involved others schools in our district to participate in this community outreach event. More than 700 attended the game last year and we are proposing even higher attendance moving forward. We have become a singing school, focusing deeply on inner hearing and solfege. We embrace instrumental music, ensemble and solo music and we have adopted a saying that we are, “Everything Music” which speaks to our classroom belief that we are capable and dynamic musicians ready for the next level of musicianship at CHCS.

Our breakfast program served in our cafeteria is steady and continues to support our students. It has become a huge success for the students at SRE. Nearly 70-75 students gather each morning for a nice

healthy breakfast to start the day and socialize with a few friends. We are seeing fewer students going to the nurse for hungry tummies.

During the 2018 year Swift River Elementary School moves to become more inclusive that responds to both academic and social emotional needs we have committed to implementing a framework that treats the whole child by using principles of our culture building program, PeaceBuilders, with the added structure of Tier 1 & 2 strategies, which staff were trained by Polly Bath and curriculum based program approved by the state "Acting with Purpose". All of this is in place and work continues to evolve to create sustainability throughout each year. A Behavior Support Team (BST) has been put in place to develop continuity that connects the entire school to families, focusing on themes each month that represent our value words. Our hope is that we treat everyone in our community with respect and kindness and teach those skills and values for students to carry them forward.

With advice and assistance from the SRE School Council, the accomplishments mentioned in this report and the completion of other projects became a reality. School Council members for 2017 were: Robert Kuhn, co-chair/principal; Brenda Kruse, teacher representative; Susan Stebbins, teacher representative; Suzi Wallace, parent representative; Elizabeth Dudek, parent representative and Jennifer Torna as the community representative. The School Council would like to acknowledge and thank SRE teachers, paraprofessionals, support staff members, students, their parents/guardians, administration, and the community for their continued support of our schools and initiatives.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Kuhn, Principal - Swift River Elementary School

Chestnut Hill Community School Principal's Report: At Chestnut Hill Community School, we are committed to providing all students with a rigorous learning experience in which they acquire the fundamental skills and social awareness necessary for success today and into the future. We continually look for ways to improve what we do so that our students can be prepared not only for the rest of their educational careers, but throughout life.

Starting in January of 2018, CHCS continued the Botvin LifeSkills Program with all grade 5 and 6 students and expanded it to grade 4 students. This research-based program helps to increase self-esteem, develop healthy attitudes, and improve students' knowledge of essential life skills - all of which promote healthy and positive personal development. Using the Massachusetts Attorney General's Youth Opioid Prevention Grant that we received in 2017, we were able to provide training for all staff in the Botvin LifeSkills Program and purchase the necessary curricular materials to enable the program to be expanded to all grades at CHCS. In doing so, throughout the entire school we are working to support both the social-emotional needs of our students as well as providing them with essential skills necessary to make healthy choices.

In March, "Belchertown Night" with the Springfield Thunderbirds Hockey Club was held. This special family event featured students from both Swift River Elementary and Chestnut Hill Community School. The 6th Grade Chorus sang the national anthem and 6th Grade band performed at intermission.

In March, the fifth grade expanded their knowledge of life cycles and predators and prey as they enjoyed a Birds of Prey presentation, which was sponsored by the PTO.

In the spring, several grade 4-6 students joined Girls on the Run, a unique 10-week after school program run by trained coaches who led with small teams through a research-based curricula which included dynamic discussions, activities, and running games. Over the course of the program, the girls developed skills to help them navigate their worlds and establish an appreciation for health and fitness. The season culminated in a non-competitive 5K event. Because of its success, the program was also offered in the fall.

In May as well as in October, as part of the SAFE (Student Awareness of Fire Education) program, representatives from the Belchertown Fire Department came to Chestnut Hill to meet with students regarding fire prevention and evacuation procedures. In addition to the valuable information provided, this program also enables students to make connections with members of the community.

During the 2017-2018 school year, five 6th grade classes participated in a personalized learning pilot program. The goal of the program was to "Empower all students to take ownership of their learning by developing the skills, knowledge, and habits which enable each individual to realize and achieve their full potential." Throughout the implementation of this program, feedback was collected from parents, students, and teachers and used in conjunction with achievement data to evaluate the effectiveness of the program. However, based on changes to the program that were anticipated for the 2018-2019 school year, in May, it was decided that the program was no longer in alignment with our goals for personalized learning. Despite not moving forward with that specific personalized learning program, our teachers learned a great deal about personalized learning throughout the 2017-2018 school year and were able to expand their repertoire of strategies. Many of those strategies are now used within their classes as they continue to meet the diverse needs of all students.

In June, the 6th grade held their annual showcase. This is an enjoyable evening in which our outgoing 6th graders are able to highlight their talents for families and friends. We also held a 6th grade graduation ceremony in June and invited families to join us in recognizing the accomplishments of our students as they completed elementary school.

During 2018, CHCS had two dedicated professionals retire. I want to recognize Darlene Pelkey (grade 5) and Susan Boyea for their many years of service to the children of Belchertown. We also welcomed new staff to join our CHCS family: Shelley Eldridge (grade 5) and Marley Hart (grade 4). Mrs. Pelletier, the former Assistant Principal, took another position within the district and is now an Educational Team Leader. We wish her all the best in this new position. In August, we were pleased to welcome our new Assistant Principal, Mr. Jonathan Stogner, to the CHCS Team!

At the conclusion of the 2017-2018 school year, we saw 186 students move up to seventh grade and with the start of the 2018-2019 school year, CHCS welcomed 168 fourth graders for a total of 539 students in grades 4, 5, and 6.

In September, we started the year by introducing our students to our common expectations for shared spaces including, but not limited to hallways, restrooms, and the cafeteria. We encouraged kids to RISE to meet the challenges of today for success tomorrow. RISE is an acronym for "Respect", "Integrity", "Safety", and "Empathy" which describe the traits that we hope our students emulate. The expected behaviors were explained to all students and they are rewarded throughout the year for exhibiting positive behavior.

We continue to have a strong band and chorus program at Chestnut Hill. In March, the grade 6 band and chorus concert was held. In May, the grade 5 band and chorus concert was held. In November, students in grade 6 Band and Chorus performed at the Annual Veteran's Day Concert. I would like to recognize the hard work of both Mr. Jason Mosall, band director, and Mr. Joshua Guerraz, chorus director.

The acquisition and utilization of technology continues to be an ongoing focus here at CHCS. Since we started using google applications such as Gmail, Google Docs, and Google Classroom in 2016, we have had most of our staff trained in the use of google applications and as you walk through our halls, you can see most classes utilizing some sort of technology. We have increased the amount of Chromebooks for students use from 3 classroom carts in 2016 to 12 classroom carts in September 2018. This technology allows us to keep up-to-date with the demands of the 21st century.

In an effort to make data-informed decisions and provide targeted support to students, the STAR Renaissance Assessments are given to all students in the areas of ELA and Math at least 3 times each year. The data from this assessment is analyzed and used in conjunction with MCAS data and classroom assessments to inform educational decisions within the classroom and across the school.

We continue to have an active Student Council who works with their faculty advisor, Karen Damouras, to plan spirit days, consider community service initiatives, organize fundraisers, and discuss topics pertinent to CHCS. I appreciate all of their input and am proud of these student leaders!

The PTO continues to be a tremendous support for our entire school community. From organizing back to school events and holiday gifts for teachers, to the Annual Walk-a-thon, STEM Night, supplementing field trips, and coordinating volunteers for the book fair, we could not succeed without their generous support. My sincere thanks goes to the entire PTO as well as all those who support the PTO for making this possible!

Finally, I would like to recognize the outstanding dedication of our entire faculty and staff who on a daily basis work to ensure that the experiences of our students are engaging, motivating, and promote lifelong learning. It is my honor and privilege to work with you each day. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,
Ms. Jennifer Champagne, Principal - Chestnut Hill Community School

Jabish Brook Middle School (JBMS) Principal's Report: Social and emotional learning (SEL) is defined by the Collaborative for Academic, Social and Emotional Learning as the process through which children and adults acquire and effectively apply the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships, and make responsible decisions. Addressing the needs of our students at the middle school must now go beyond traditional academic expectations. These needs include servicing the whole child; from an academic, social, and emotional perspective.

Jabish Brook Middle School has been provided the opportunity to provide training to our teachers on trauma-informed classrooms. The concept is to provide an environment for students to succeed that find the daily struggle of academic expectations an overwhelming task. It is an unfortunate reality that more and more of our students are finding maintaining academic expectations a daily struggle. Jabish Brook continues to work to address such needs with the Grade 7 & 8 health curriculum, as well as the implementation of Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral for Treatment (SBIRT) as a state-mandated health screening. We are expanding a referral system for services to outside agencies, such as the Behavioral Health Network, for both students and families to better address the social-emotional needs of our students.

As the public middle school, Jabish Brook Middle School faculty and staff are also responding to the changing educational needs of our students with a balanced approach toward integrating technologies. We have been very successful with the integration of online resources. We are improving our use of online assessments to review and support changes to instructional practices, innovative teaching methods and the use of online tutorials. This work is anticipated to continue to provide firsthand experience for our students with the state online assessments.

Our second year of the newly revised MCAS state test, required by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to track student proficiency rates, required all students to complete testing online. The newly revised online test, in its first two years, showed students met state levels in a number of areas, but continue to struggle more than in previous years. The continued integration of technologies into the classroom, and the respective curriculum adjustments, coupled with the need to adjust the educational environment to better service our student needs has become a focus for improvement and development at the middle school level.

Google Classroom, a part of the Google Education Suite, provides an online platform for the integration of technology in the classroom. 100% of the teaching faculty are utilizing this online platform to provide classroom resources online, and an ever increasing number of teachers are accepting work completed online. While technology becomes an ever present aspect of educating our students, balancing technology with hands-on instruction, and dedicating the financial resources necessary to meet this demand is an ever-increasing challenge.

The middle school has been able to combine our strong academic expectations with enrichment activities and community events, to foster the social and emotional growth of our students. Events such as the Belchertown Fair, middle school dances, food and toy drives, our winter semi-formal dance, field trips, dress up spirit weeks, etc. are all designed to help enrich the educational experience. Through the cooperative efforts of students, parents, an active Parent-Teacher Organization, fundraisers continue to be conducted to sponsor student participation in these events.

The JBMS After-School Program has been partially restored with funding in order to provide a safe enrichment activity environment for students after-school; often normal working hours for most parents and guardians. This program, however, remains under a fee based system for student participation. We believe the continued growth and expansion of this program is one of a number of steps necessary to provide services for our middle school population.

We continue to look at curriculum and instructional needs to support our middle school students, and are working diligently to address the needs and expectations of the community to provide as many diverse educational courses as possible. Current opportunities, including our full year band and chorus programs, full year world languages, and math honors courses are finding great success with our students. Many requests, however, including expansion to areas such as STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics), further variety in world languages, and additional honors courses in English/Language Arts and other content areas, however will require further cooperative efforts within the school district to address the challenges of financial constraints, staffing and licensure requirements, and limited physical building space in an aging facility. There is a constant divide at the middle school level to address areas of academic, social, and emotional needs of our students that require corrective action, with the desired interest to retain and expand academic offerings with limited staffing and resources.

Staff, students, faculty, administration, parents and guardians of JBMS continued to work together to provide the best possible programs and services for middle school students. The Jabish Brook Middle School PTO, Student Council and School Council were active participants in reviewing and supporting the diverse needs of our middle school students. It is through this cooperative effort of our school community that JBMS is able to continue to provide a positive and productive learning environment. We look forward to the continued development and improvement of integrating technology into the classroom, making strides in our MCAS online testing achievement scores, and enriching the overall educational experience for our students.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Thomas K. Ruscio, Principal - Jabish Brook Middle School

High School (BHS) Principal's Report: 2018 was a very successful and productive year for the administration, faculty, staff, and students at Belchertown High School. Our students continued to excel in all of their academic, athletic, musical, and co-curricular pursuits. Belchertown High School students and faculty continue to bring great pride to the community. Belchertown High School is an educational community that fosters academic excellence and responsible citizenship in a positive, safe, and respectful environment. The teaching and learning that takes place at Belchertown High School is impressive!

In February, Ms. Teixeira, members of the National Art Honor Society, and all designers and models saw great success with Project Runway! Madi Campanele was awarded first place for her design! As usual, Project Runway was a wonderful opportunity to showcase the talent and artistry of our students.

Special thanks to Ms. Vaz, Emily Hamparian, and Student Council on the success of the Volleyball Lock-In that took place in March to raise money for student scholarships. A great time was had by all who attended from 5:00pm – 12:00 midnight - 230 students and 42 administrators, educators, education support personnel, coaches, police officers, parents, and graduates. Special thanks to our custodial staff - Mr. Kenneson, Mr. Braster, Mr. Dimitropolis, Mr. Methot and Beckett Vigneux for set up and clean up. Special thanks to our chaperones - Ms. Austin, Officer Austin, Ms. Baird, Ms. Bernardin, Officer Burns, Ms. Captein, Mr. J. Charron, Mr. A. Charron, Officer Fitzgerald, Ms. Foley, Ms. Goncalves, Ms. Gramulgia, Mr. Hamparian, Ms. Hamparian, Mr. Hennessy, Ms. Holesovsky, Mr. Holland, Mr. Koziol, Mr. Landrio, Mr. Lantaigne, Ms. LeBlanc, Ms. Letzeisen, Ms. McNeill, Ms. Murphy, Mr. Murray, Mr. O'Brien, Ms. O'Neill, Mr. Poulin, Ms. Pyecroft, Ms. Ribeiro, Ms. Relihan, Ms. Reynolds, Ms. Ruscio, Mr. Siano, Ms. St. Pierre, Ms. Sylvestre, Ms. Thornton, Ms. Tupek, Ms. Vaz, Ms., Vigneux, Ms. Waldron, Mr. Wheeler, Ms. Whelpley.

Also in March, the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents recognized Mr. Parker Mas as an award recipient for 2018. A lovely event was hosted by Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School for Parker and his family and other western Massachusetts recipients. Be it in the classroom, on the trails of a cross country course, in the arena of student government, or in the life of the broader community, Parker Mas has been a person of distinction in his time at Belchertown High School. Ranked first in his class academically, Parker is an outstanding student with a work ethic and civic-mindedness seldom seen in secondary school students. Parker pursued a rigorous course of study with Advanced Placement or honors classes in English Literature, US Government, Calculus, Greek, Physics, and Spanish 5. Add to this Parker's role as student-athlete and President of the BHS Class of 2018, and a picture of Parker's prolific talents begins to come into focus! And Harvard noticed these talents by accepting him as a member of the Class of 2022.

On Friday, June 1st, the Class of 2018 graduated 164 students from Belchertown High School. The ceremony was held in the gymnasium with family and friends in attendance celebrating the accomplishments of the class. Ms. Amanda Berger Gould was the featured commencement speaker. Ms. Gould graduated from BHS in 1998. Ms. Gould received her undergraduate and graduate degrees in Sociology and Communications from Boston College. She currently serves as Chief Administrative Officer for the American Women's College at Bay Path University.

During her time at Belchertown High School on 62 North Washington Street, Ms. Gould was an Oriole through and through – brilliant and bright always representing the orange and black proudly in everything she did in and out of school! Having had Ms. Gould as a student in Psychology class and Mr. Ruscio serving as the advisor to the Class of 1998 – both knew first-hand what an outstanding student, leader, and person Ms. Gould was and how very fortunate we were to have her back to speak with us at graduation!

Other speeches were given by Mr. Parker Mas, valedictorian and president of the class, and Mr. Ryan Chrabascz, salutatorian and president of the class. Over \$71,000 in scholarships was presented to our seniors during the awards ceremony. The awarding of these scholarships would not be possible without the generosity of the many groups and organizations in the community – a special thank you to them for assisting our bright and talented students in their pursuit of educational, work, and military opportunities.

On Tuesday, August 29th, 695 students and 120 faculty and staff walked into the building via the orange carpet to the sounds of applause and laughter. Due to the extremely high temperatures, we had a ½ day; The Belchertown High School Community welcomed new staff: Mr. John Bracey – Foreign Language, Mr. Ryan Viglione – Foreign Language, Ms. Erika Aponte – Transition Specialist, and Ms. Donna Yvan – Food Service.

Our first three days of school were a bit different than previous years – students and educators were reminded that it was all about building relationships. Students were not given syllabi and there was to be no homework or tests. Students and educators were reminded about our rocks and how we have to be the rocks and put our rocks into action.

**Relationships:**

I am a member of this learning community.

I am important and I am valued.

I am empathetic.

We Are Orioles.

Respect:

I am here to learn.

I am here to help others learn

I am accepting of people's differences.

We Are Orioles.

Responsibility:

I am responsible for my choices.

I accept the outcomes of my choices.

I am able to learn from past experiences.

We Are Orioles.

Reflection:

I am honest with myself.

I am accepting of feedback from others.

I am strong enough to change for the better.

We Are Orioles.

Resilience

I am not afraid to fail.

I am not alone.

I am capable and courageous.

We Are Orioles.

In November, members of the Class of 2018 were recognized as John and Abigail Adams Scholarship recipients by Director of Teaching and Learning, Dr. Shawn Fortin. These students received scores on the MCAS that were in the top twenty five percent of their class. The students who choose to attend a Massachusetts public college university will receive free tuition. Congratulations to our scholars on this outstanding achievement: Enyonam Adoboe, Connor Agustin, Nova Albrecht, Adwoa Ampiah-Bonney, Matthew Blain, Emilee Boivin, Alison Bourdeau, Schuyler Bright, Abigail Brown, Kirsten Burkey, Maxim Caron, Abby Damouras, Aureliea Delaney, Hunter Duseau, Kevin Fish, Olivia Follett, Matthew Fournier, Molly Freeman, Emily Gonthier, Noah Guzek, Oliver Haas, Ian Kenneally, Marguerite Knapp, Iain Knight, Emily Krasinkiewicz, Chase Kupinsky, Melissa Ligus, Tenzin Lodhen, Colton Loftus, Bradley Lovett, Autumn Marley, Andrew Mugford, Cameron Murphy, Benjamin Newman, Delaney O'Brien, Nicole Oberg, Patrick Otto, Yahve Pabon, Isaac Pefaur, Justin Pendrick, Arianna Piedra, Cameron Sullivan-Daley, Cameron Szarkowski, Christopher Tilton, Jacob Torna, McKenna Troy, Noah Troy, James Wang, Nathan Wright, Zachary Wrona, Joel Wyzik.

A Veterans' Day Assembly was held in the Veterans' Memorial Auditorium on Friday, November 9th. Belchertown High School School Adjustment Counselor Ms. Frances Frederick posted the colors and Mr. Daniel Bergeron, retired Assistant Principal was our guest speaker. The term "Renaissance Man" gets tossed around more often than it probably should, but in the case of our guest speaker, it could not be more true. Mr. Dan Bergeron has lived a life of service to others: as a soldier, educator, parishioner, husband, father, and, perhaps most proudly, grandfather. Though he has been all over the world, he still feels most at home here in Western Massachusetts, but he still loves to travel, often piloting his own airplane as he takes to the friendly skies. Though he retired from his role as our Assistant Principal some years ago, we know that the phrase "once an Oriole, always an Oriole" surely applies to Mr. Bergeron. Special thanks to Ms. Vaz, Kirsten Burkey, and Student Council for organizing the Veterans' Day Assembly. Thanks also to Dr. Messier, Ms. Comstock, the Music Department, Zachary Stowe Alekman and Ian Kenneally for their musical contributions.

With a \$100,000 Capital Skills Grant that we received with the help of Senator Eric Lesser, our Innovations Lab is taking shape. Kyle Landrio, Clay Hennessy, and Manuela work in the lab together every day putting equipment together and learning about how each machine works so that during the second semester educators and students can take advantage of all that this lab has to offer.

Also in November, our Third Annual Alumni Career Fair was held at Belchertown High School. Twenty-eight Belchertown High School graduates from the Classes of 1986, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2009, 2010, 2012, and 2013 returned home to the nest to speak with members of the Class of 2020 about their careers. It was wonderful to welcome back our very successful alumni and hear how their education in the Belchertown Public School District shaped their career plans.

In closing, all of our students have contributed so much to the success we experienced at 142 Springfield Road in 2018 through their achievements in their academics, their talent in athletics and music, and their participation in co-curricular activities. We are very fortunate to have such outstanding students in our community. With these wonderful students and our caring educators and support personnel, we are creating new traditions, carrying on the old traditions, and looking forward to continuing to capture many wonderful memories at Belchertown High School. We are very grateful to our Superintendent, Ms. Karol Coffin, our School Committee, and the greater community for all they do for us. We appreciate the support that is given to us at Town Meeting and the understanding that it is important to support the many unique and typical opportunities and experiences that take place in the Belchertown School District. All of us at Belchertown High School will continue to provide a quality education for all of our students in a positive, safe, and respectful environment.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine M. Vigneux, Principal
Belchertown High School

PATHFINDER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District Committee is pleased to present this report to the citizens of the nine-town District. Currently the Committee consists of 11 members: two members each from Belchertown and Palmer and one each from the remaining towns. Membership on the Committee remained unchanged as a result of the November election. At the Reorganization Meeting, David Droz (Palmer) was elected Chairman and Michael Cavanaugh (Palmer) was elected Vice-Chairman. Lorraine F. Alves (Belchertown) was re-elected Secretary. The Student Member of the Committee is Elan de Ris, a non-resident student from Amherst.

CURRICULUM: Based on the most recent MCAS scores, Pathfinder has continued to improve on narrowing the proficiency gaps. While the Department of Elementary & Secondary Education has previously designated Pathfinder as a “Level 3” school, the District has actually improved its percentile ranking within the state accountability system. A “Level 3” distinction meant that, despite the improvement in MCAS scores, there are subgroups of the student population (*e.g.*, high needs; students with disabilities) that have not made sufficient progress toward “Proficiency” as expected by the Department of Elementary & Secondary Education. The state accountability system has changed its designations for schools and districts, meaning that schools and districts are no longer given “Levels”, and with the increases in MCAS scores and other accountability measures, Pathfinder Regional has been determined to **No Longer Require Assistance or Intervention**. Along with this, as mentioned above, Pathfinder has increased its’ accountability percentile from 14 to 25, which constitutes an approximate 79% increase from year-to-year if compared.

Part of an ongoing strategy for District improvement has been the implementation of a Math Enrichment Curriculum for all incoming 9th graders. This course focuses on calibrating compulsory math skills as students enter Pathfinder, with emphasis in the second half of the year on concepts tied to both math

coursework and technical content. Additionally, all 10th graders engage in a targeted MCAS Preparation course, reviewing content and test-taking strategies for the spring testing period. The newest initiative related to improving accountability status was the Collaborative Reading Training Program, in which teachers shape their instructional practices to increase student reading comprehension through engaging, student-centered reading strategies. Also, for the 2018-2019 school year, all 9th grade students will be taking a writing seminar. This is a half-year course that focuses on basic writing skills in hopes of raising the level at which students are writing for their English courses, as well as for the 10th grade MCAS assessment.

In addition to honors level courses in all core academic content areas at all grade levels, Pathfinder also offered Advanced Placement coursework in Calculus, English Language and Composition, US History, and English Literature and Composition. In May 2018, 50 students sat for 55 exams. For the upcoming 2018-2019 school year, Statistics will be added to the AP offerings as well. Efforts to increase the higher-level offerings for students are ongoing.

Curriculum on a whole is continuously being vetted and evaluated to make sure that students are mastering standards that are determined in the frameworks prescribed by the state. For the 2018-2019 school year, the Social Studies Department has adopted the new frameworks that were created, and the teachers have been creating and delivering a curriculum accordingly. Including more electives and pathways in academic areas is a continuing conversation, in order to make sure that the needs of all learners are met. Course progressions in each academic area are being evaluated and discussed in order to be proactive for students and their development.

SELECTED MUNICIPAL AND COMMUNITY PROJECTS: In 2018, Pathfinder's technical programs received 763 requests for work to be performed.

Advanced Manufacturing

- Fabricated a shaft for a sand/salt spreader for the Monson Department of Public Works.
- Fabricated key chains for the Ware Police Department.
- Fabricated a traffic cone brand for the Palmer Police Department.
- Made cribbage boards for a number of local non-profit organizations for fund raising events and occasional retirement recognitions.

Automotive Technology

- Pathfinder's Automotive Technology department worked on 317 vehicles in 2018, resulting in a savings of over \$88,000.00 for members of the community when compared to average industry rates.

Carpentry

- Repaired and replaced roof and trim on public restroom building at Laviolette Field in Palmer.
- Constructed a garage for the East Quabbin Land Trust in Hardwick.
- Constructed a carriage house for the Oakham Historical Association.
- Completed renovations at the Ware Senior Center.

Collision Repair and Refinishing

- Refurbished fourteen metal Christmas light fixtures for the town of Belchertown's Lighting Committee.
- Received and completed seventy requests for auto detailing service.

Cosmetology

- Students continued their annual visits to area Senior Centers during which they provided “Spa Days” for seniors. The services they offered included manicures, pedicures, facials, and hair styles. These services were provided in Palmer, Ware, and Belchertown.

Culinary Arts

- Prepared food for the Town of Granby’s 250th Anniversary farm –to- table dinner, hosted by the Granby Agricultural Commission.
- Perso, Pathfinder’s restaurant, totaled over \$20,000.00 in sales in 2018, resulting in a savings of over \$30,000.00 to community members when compared to industry pricing.
- Pathfinder’s Culinary Arts Bake Shop filled numerous orders for assorted baked goods for members of the community.

Electrical

- Numerous projects at Pathfinder, including wiring two new lifts in Automotive Technology, replacing 16 exterior lights, installation of new library screen and projector, and removal of existing electrical in preparation for renovation of the new Plumbing Shop.
- Electrical installation at the new carriage house for Oakham Historical Association.
- Assisted with renovations at the Ware Senior Center
- Fixed multiple light fixtures and ran data cables to Palmer Police Department’s 911 desk.

Health Assisting

- Coordinated one blood drive with the American Red Cross and one with Baystate Medical Center.

Horticulture

- Completed construction of a fitness path at Laviolette Field in Palmer.
- Pruned trees for Belchertown Public Schools.

Hospitality

- Served dinner at the Town of Granby’s 250th Anniversary farm- to-table dinner, hosted by the Granby Agricultural Commission.

COOPERATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM: Cooperative Education Program / WIOA - Sixty-Four students have participated in the school’s Cooperative Education Program. This program provides opportunities for paid, career-related jobs in lieu of students attending their career and technical education courses. In this real work environment, the students enhance their technical skills, develop interpersonal skills, and experience valuable lessons in maintaining a balance of their personal lives, school academics, and their jobs. The Cooperative Education experience is a reward to those students who demonstrate positive attitudes, good attendance, and better than average grades in their technical and academic classes. Partnerships with area businesses and our strong Advisory Committees have been a driving force in obtaining cooperative education placements. Pathfinder is committed to providing students with this valuable opportunity which often leads to full-time employment upon graduation, and intends to continue to work closely with regional businesses to expand the program.

In addition to the Cooperative Education program, Pathfinder is an In-School WIOA Title I Youth Vendor. As a result of this grant award, Pathfinder coordinates and oversees both subsidized and unsubsidized employment opportunities for eligible students during the summer and throughout the

school year. Currently there are 23 active participants in the program with students working at the Palmer Library, Silver Bell Farm, and The Arbors in Amherst to name a few. Pathfinder strives to align the WIOA employment opportunities with the student's Career and Technical program. In December 2018, 22 of the current WIOA participants received a \$40.00 bonus for meeting the necessary incentive criteria. The criteria include: 100% attendance during the trimester; pass all academic and career and technical classes; full participation in extracurricular school activities such as sports, student organizations, clubs, etc.; full participation in community activities such as recreational sports, Eagle Scout, driver's education, etc.; maintain a working position for at least 10 hours per week or active job search; enroll and fully participate in a community/social agency based program; begin and/or complete the Workplace Readiness Certificate Program; and be awarded a Pathfinder diploma and Chapter 74 Vocational Certificate or area high school diploma.

STUDENT BODY AND STUDENT SERVICES: Pathfinder's total enrollment was 654 as of October 1, 2018, including the following numbers from member towns: Belchertown 109; Granby 22; Hardwick 29; Monson 78; New Braintree 6; Oakham 14; Palmer 161; Ware 118; and Warren 53. The remaining students were residents of out-of-district communities, the largest number of students coming from West Brookfield 23. The 654 figure on October 1st represents an increase of 39 students overall from the number reported on October 1, 2017.

The Guidance Office—which also serves as the Admissions Office—received far more applications for the 9th grade openings than the school could accommodate. Transfer opportunities into the 10th or 11th grades were also very limited. Consequently, the school experienced another year of waiting lists.

In October & November, Pathfinder's Guidance Director visited the 8th graders in member towns to provide an in-depth presentation about Pathfinder's offerings and the application process. *Showcase Day* occurred on the morning of November 19th with over 250 8th grade students from member districts participating in interactive hands-on experiences in three different technical program areas with opportunities to hear directly from staff, Student Ambassadors and current student volunteers. Our annual *Career Night* followed on November 28th, for 7th & 8th graders and their parents. About 400 guests in attendance were treated to a pasta dinner and had an opportunity to visit any program of interest. New this year, Pathfinder's online applications opened at the Career Night Event allowing interested 8th grade students & parents to complete an application right on-site with staff assistance available if needed. By the end of the evening, over 100 applications were submitted.

On May 3rd the Pathfinder Chapter of the National Technical Honor Society recognized the largest group yet of deserving members in an impressive ceremony. The group of 44 students consisted of 18 returning seniors, four new seniors and 22 new juniors; to qualify, students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above and exhibit the qualities of skill, honesty, service, responsibility, scholarship, citizenship, and leadership.

At the Annual Outstanding Vocational-Technical Student awards dinner sponsored by the Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators (MAVA) and the Massachusetts Vocational Association (MVA), Ware resident Lindsey Kelleher was recognized as Pathfinder's honoree. Lindsey was a stand-out student in the Business Technology Program at Pathfinder. With a passion for learning, devotion to being her best, and an internal drive to succeed, Lindsey was clearly a deserving recipient. Ranked at the top of her class with a 3.97 GPA, Lindsey completed numerous honors & AP courses and earned multiple awards in her technical program, as well as 2nd place at DECA in Business Services/Marketing and a bronze medal in Customer Service at SkillsUSA district competition. Lindsey was also named a recipient of the John & Abigail Adams Scholarship and was honored as Pathfinder's recipient of the M.A.S.S. Academic Excellence Award. Simultaneously, she was employed by Crimmins -Graveline Insurance Agency, Inc. of Palmer through Pathfinder's Cooperative Education program. Outside of school, Lindsey's passion and world revolved around dance. In the fall of 2018, Lindsey was able to realize her dream by attending Dean College in Franklin, MA to study at their Palladino School of Dance.

On June 1, 2018, the graduating class of 135 students received diplomas and technical certificates at commencement exercises. Approximately 40% of the graduates received scholarship awards totaling over \$30,000 during the annual Scholarship Night ceremony on May 24th, with much more made available through John & Abigail Adams Scholarships, as well as awards and grants to our graduates from the colleges and universities to which they had been offered admission. Once again, state and local organizations and businesses, post-secondary institutions, as well as private individuals, continued to recognize the ability and potential of Pathfinder graduates in the form of generous donations. The school committee, administration-- and particularly the graduates-- are grateful for this support and are especially proud of the number of awards that have been made to honor the memory of former Pathfinder students and staff members.

For the school year 2018-2019, significant changes were made to the administrative structure of Student Services. Brenda Turner was appointed Director of Guidance and Michael Forrest was appointed Interim Director of Special Education.

The staff in the Guidance Department continued to work on helping students to be **College and Career Ready** through updating its curriculum and broadening its services in order to assist students as they transition to post-secondary education or the workforce upon graduation. The Guidance Department is also responsible for overseeing the 504 Accommodation Plans for approximately 68 students. This involves setting up meetings with teachers, students, and families to update plans and to ensure that the appropriate accommodations are in place.

The Special Education Department was responsible for implementing Independent Educational Plans (IEP's) for approximately 176 students. The Special Education Department offers a range of educational and counseling services that strive to meet the diverse needs of our students. The Department works cooperatively with students, their families, academic and vocational teachers, and service providers in order to assist each student in reaching their educational goals. The Special Education Department provides a continuum of services with instruction taking place in both inclusion settings and in special education classrooms. Through the Reading Department, literacy instruction is provided for qualifying students.

To further address the needs of our students, the Special Education Department has also invested extensively in assistive technology, including text- to- speech, speech- to text (voice dictation), and word prediction that assists students in reaching their academic potential. In addition to its investment in assistive technology, the department also utilizes *Bookshare*, which is an organization that provides books in digital format for individuals with visual and learning disabilities.

The Special Education Department has also continued to develop partnerships with outside agencies, including the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission (MRC) and the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) in order to assist students in their transition to post-secondary life. In partnership with Pathfinder, MRC has run a pre-employment training skills class (Pre-ETS) for students at Pathfinder to assist students in developing the "soft-skills" that they will need in order to be better prepared for the workplace. The Pre-ETS program has also provided students with the opportunity to gain work experience by participating in eight-week paid internships.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES: In February, Pathfinder's Automotive Technology program placed a team of two students into the state finals for the Massachusetts Dealer Association Competition. They competed against 190 students statewide, and have moved onto the state finals where they will compete against ten teams for a chance to move to the national event in NYC!

In March, 133 students represented Pathfinder at the SkillsUSA District V Competition which took place at Bay Path RVTHS. This was the largest group of students sent in the history of the school's participation, proudly representing 14 of our 15 program areas. Four students were awarded gold medals, seven silver medals, nine bronze medals, and two students earned perfect score awards!

A number of new clubs were formed by staff and students this year! Karaoke Club, Women in STEM, Amateur Radio Club, Paw Finders (a club committed to fundraising and volunteering for local animal shelters), a renewed Ski Club, and Welding Club are a few of the new clubs being offered to our students.

The Diversity Club has been concentrating on promoting school -wide tolerance and acceptance. Some of the activities included a dance, cookie decorating, field trips, and a citrus fundraiser.

Horticulture students participated in the FFA State Convention in all career development events, including Natural Resources, Forestry, Turf, Landscaping, Safe Equipment Operation, Safe Tractor Operation, Floriculture, and many more. At the State level, six students placed in: Extemporaneous Speaking (1st), Forestry (3rd), Safe Equipment Operation (3rd) and Safe Tractor Operation (2nd). Fundraising events throughout the year made attendance at this event possible. Pathfinder boasts 100% FFA membership, including students in all four grades.

Pathfinder Cosmetology hosted the 5th annual Beauty Schools' Battle on May 3rd. The competition included students from Bay Path, Franklin Co. Tech., Upper Cape Cod Tech., Durfee H.S., Northeast Metro Tech., and McCann Tech. Representatives from Cosmo Prof, Salon Centric, Smart Cuts, Rusk, Great Cuts, Hair Cattery, J. C. Penny Salon, and Paul Mitchell were in attendance, and also helped judge the contests. Pathfinder Cosmetology students performed well, winning in several categories.

Four Blood Drives were held in 2018, two through Bay State Hospital's Mobile Drive, and two through the American Red Cross. A total of over 250 lives were potentially impacted and saved through donations across the four drives! At the end of 2018, \$250 had been earned in scholarships for our senior students through the Red Cross.

On September 23rd, Pathfinder held its 26th Annual Car Show, proceeds from which helped to defray the cost of sending students to the annual SkillsUSA competition. This successful show attracted car lovers in all generations, and was the largest in history with 221 registered show vehicles on display!

This year was a very special Open House as nationally renowned speaker and author Mark Perna delivered a keynote speech to parents and students in attendance. His presentation featured the theme of the "Competitive Advantage" of attending a school like Pathfinder.

Through funding from the *AMP It Up!* grant award from the Commonwealth's Advanced Manufacturing Futures Program, students were treated to an Advanced Manufacturing College and Career Fair on October 18th. The fair was a huge success, with over 450 students from Pathfinder, Chicopee Comp, and Dean Tech in attendance. The fair helped to shape student interest not only manufacturing career and college options but also overall employability skills.

Pathfinder's Collision Repair and Refinishing Program was featured on WWLP News 22 on October 23rd as Sy Becker reported on the wonderful project the students undertook in the town of Belchertown. Students repaired a lighting display that has been part of an 18-year holiday tradition on the Belchertown Common. To honor their hard work, Pathfinder students were asked to be the guests of honor when the lights were turned on at the November 24th celebration.

On November 2nd, Pathfinder went down in history as the first vocational school to communicate live with astronauts aboard the International Space Station (ISS) using ham radio equipment built by students! Esteemed guests from elected officials to amateur radio enthusiasts looked on as Pathfinder students asked intriguing questions to astronauts aboard the ISS. An arduous amount of work was put into the project by several staff members and students in the Amateur Radio Club and the Women in STEM Club. The project was featured on television channels 40 and 22, as well as M-PACT Local Access.

Also on November 2nd, students from Ms. Puls and Mrs. Menino's classes stood at the end of Panek Street to cheer on former US Army Staff Sergeant James Chartier as he continued on his 90-mile march from Chicopee to Boston, MA to raise awareness about PTSD and homelessness among veterans. Students were able to ask Staff Sergeant Chartier questions, thank him for his service, and give him cheers of support as he continued on his way.

Business Technology students competed in the Junior Achievement of Western MA Stock Market Challenge on November 8th. Pathfinder placed fourth out of fifty schools, and all teams finished in the top ten out of 135 competing teams! Competition was fierce throughout the day as Pathfinder held the top spot up until the last quarter. The students are already devising their strategy for next year's competition!

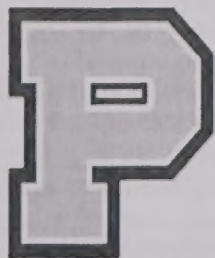
On November 20th, two Pathfinder robotics teams competed in their first qualifying attempt for the State championship at the QCC November Fall Classic. Each team brought strong robots to the event, and were able to overcome any problems that came their way with remarkable team work. Both teams deserve praise for delivering competition-ready robots in record time! Competing early in the season leaves four to five more attempts for the Pathfinder teams to qualify for a State championship. Team 785A had four wins and three losses before the finals and ranked 12th out of 30 teams. Team 785B had 6 wins and 1 loss before the finals, and ranked 4th out of 30 teams.

The Student Council sponsored food drive was a success as it brought in 1076 canned/boxed goods and 49 turkeys on November 20th to support the local communities!

On December 10th the Drama Club gave a delightful performance of Alice in Wonderland.

Students and staff enjoyed Spirit Week during the last school week in December. The various themes were: Twin Day, Pathfinder Gear/Pride Day, Holiday Outfit/Ugly Sweater Day, Favorite Sports Jersey Day, and Pajama Day. On December 18th the Pathfinder Horticultural program delivered poinsettias to the Palmer Senior Center for their holiday luncheon. The Pathfinder Culinary Arts and Hospitality Programs put on a fabulous holiday buffet for staff and students on December 19th. On December 21st, the Advanced Manufacturing program held their 24th annual car derby, in which all 11th grade Advanced Manufacturing students competed with the cars they built.

ATHLETICS: Pathfinder continued to offer a robust program of interscholastic athletics, altogether involving approximately 170 students. Major personnel changes were instituted during the year as Joe Baldyga became the new Athletic Director and Head Football Coach, sharing the varsity coaching role with Mark Gallagher. New JV Football coaches included Eric Simard and Zach Dreher.



The football team experienced a "building year" but received numerous commendations from opposing coaches during the season. Nine freshman players were added to the roster.

Both Boys' and Girls' 2018 Soccer Teams qualified for the Western Mass. Tournaments, and the Girls made the finals in the State Vocational Soccer Tournament. Junior Varsity Coaches and teams were added to the program to help with player development. Through a Cooperative Arrangement, Pathfinder girls were eligible to play Field Hockey with the Palmer High School team.

Pathfinder continued to be the host school for a Cooperative Arrangement with Palmer and Ware. The team won the league in the 2017-18 season. To round out the winter record, the Girls' Basketball Team qualified for the Western Mass. Tournament.

Lacrosse entered its second season as a popular offering after years of anticipation. Adding another outdoor sport did, however, intensify the need for additional field space.

GRANTS, DONATIONS AND CONTRACTS

Program Name	Amount	Application
Federal Grant SPED Grant #240	FY 18 \$231,795. FY 19 \$231,446.	Instructional and Support Staff, Contractual Services, Supplies, Transition Services and Travel for Supporting Students with Disabilities
Federal Grant SPED Improvement Grant#274	FY 18 \$230	Contractual Services
Federal Grant Teacher Quality Grant #140	FY 18 \$26,015 FY 19 \$23,148	Contractual Services, Supplies, and Travel for Improving Basic Programs Operated by Pathfinder
Federal Grant Title I #305	FY 18 \$144,002 FY 19 \$140,814	Instructional and Support Staff, Stipends, Supplies and Travel for Improving Basic Programs
Federal Grant Title IV #309	FY 18 \$3576 FY 19 \$10,421	Computers for High-Quality Educational Learning Environments for All
Federal Grant Perkins #400	FY 18 \$99740 FY 19 \$105,043	Equipment, Supplies, and Travel for Preparing Students for College and Career Readiness Leadership Academies for Aspiring Administrators
Federal Grant/Holyoke	\$5,000	Stipends for CTE Regionalization Collaboration study in Western Mass
Health Grant	\$4,401.81	Life Support System and Supplies to support school nurse
Federal Grant WIOA	FY 18 \$39662 FY 19 \$44,338	Student and Support Staff Salaries for In-School Youth Employment Opportunities, Travel and Fringe Expenses
Massachusetts Focus Academy #248A	FY 18	Educator Cohort for both CTE and Academic Pathfinder instructors to earn credits thru Fitchburg State University by attending the course, "Sustaining a Positive School-Wide Learning Environment".
Massachusetts Development Finance Agency (MassDevelopment) AMP it up!	Feb 2018 \$8675	<i>The Art of Design and Advanced Manufacturing Program</i> -Pathfinder along with numerous collaborating entities, including 18 manufacturing companies, provided students and families of the region with information on the numerous, exciting, and financially awarding career pathways of the manufacturing industry located locally. This information was disseminated via hands-on maker space projects for regional middle school students, field trips to partnering manufacturing facilities, and culminated with a manufacturing/engineering themed college and career fair for local high school students. Over 700 students from grade 7-12 participated in the events made possible from this grant.
Gene Haas Foundation #1	\$11,000	Scholarship and Equipment to promote manufacturing careers for students
Gene Haas Foundation #2	\$10,000	Scholarship and Equipment to promote manufacturing careers for students
Massachusetts Skills Capital Grant	FY 19 \$489,871	Pathfinder was awarded this grant in order to continue to create quality pathways in high-skilled, high-demand industry sectors, and to expand our program offerings to include a Plumbing and Pipefitting Chapter 74 program. The funds are being used to purchase materials for the program and to construct a lab/workshop for students. The program is scheduled to open in Fall 2019.
TOTAL GRANTS	\$1,629,177.81	

SPECIAL PROGRAMS: The Summer Youth Enrichment Program was a huge success with over 125 students selecting 190 different program slots-- over 60 children a week!

Parent and student satisfaction with the Youth Enrichment Programs has been extraordinary. Many students return to the program several times and express regret when they become too old to participate. It serves as an excellent introduction to Pathfinder and its environment. A sizeable percentage of participants from the Youth Enrichment Program enroll in Pathfinder once they reach the 9th grade!

Pathfinder offered an online Academic Summer School program designed to enable students to recover credit needed for promotion or graduation through a four-week, 40-hour course of study, which ran from the second week of July through the first week of August. Additionally, Pathfinder offered in-district students a Vocational Related Summer School credit recovery option that spanned five days and a total of 20 hours from July 30-August 3. In total, 130 students from 16 districts completed 162 summer school courses.

FACULTY AND STAFF: Currently the Pathfinder staff consists of 44 vocational teachers, 25 academic teachers, 2 teaching assistant, 1 part-time athletic trainer, 8 special education teachers, 3 counselors, a psychologist, a library-media specialist, a speech & language pathologist, a behavioral specialist, a nurse and 9 paraprofessionals. The school is managed by the Superintendent and a group of 8 professional administrators as well as a full-time grants/cooperative education coordinator. The support staff includes 7 custodians, 11 clerical personnel, and 2 cafeteria workers.

In June, the school said farewell to retirees Donna Bartlett (Health Assisting); Richard Croteau (Programming and Web); Daniel Fisk (Horticulture); and James Hurley (Carpentry). The end of the school year also saw the departure of Anthony Papuga (Assistant Director) and, subsequently Nicole Heroux, (Special Education Director). Pathfinder also said a proud farewell to Academic Director Tim Moriarty upon his acceptance into the Doctor of Education Leadership Program at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

New Instructors hired included Nicole Horton and Elizabeth Butler who will oversee a new offering in Professional Skills; Patrick Boudette (Hospitality); Randy Dimitropolis (Plumbing and HVAC); Anthony Braden (Health Assisting); Bradley Lord (Electrical); Philip Gallo (Carpentry); Sarah Malanson (Programming and Web); Lynn Dupuis (Horticulture); Stephanie Menino (English); Mark Gallagher (Special Education); Thomas Orzulak (Part-time Psychologist); Kyle Lussier (Teaching Assistant); Kevin Dasilva (IT Technical Assistant); and Rachael Bly and Jason Whittier (Paraprofessionals).

Administrators new to Pathfinder include Carrie Auffrey (Assistant Principal) and Daniel Whalley (Academic Director). Eric Duda continues as Assistant Superintendent/Principal and Ryan Rege continues as Vocational Director. Brenda Turner was promoted to Guidance Director and Michael Forrest was selected as Interim Director of Special Education.

Dr. Paist continues to serve on the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators and on the Board of Directors of the Quaboag Hills Chamber of Commerce. An active member of the Assn. for Career & Technical Education, he is one of two Region I Directors for that organization's National Council of Local Administrators (NCLA). At the April meeting of the Mass. Assn. of School Superintendents, Dr. Paist was presented the President's Award for the second time in his tenure at Pathfinder.

BUDGET AND FINANCE: In March of 2018, the school committee adopted a final FY19 budget of \$14,156,584 representing a 1.97% Increase over the previous year. The 1.97% Increase in FY19 also included the third year of five years' payments on the Total Roof Replacement Project. Subsequently, Pathfinder's nine member communities unanimously voted approval of their assessments during their 2018 town meetings, thereby approving the FY19 budget pursuant to the regional school budget statute. (Please note that Pathfinder's budget increased 0.00 % in FY18, 3.92% in FY17, 1.59% in FY16, and decreased 0.34% in FY15).

Included in Pathfinder's FY19 approved budget assessment calculation, the Regional School Transportation Reimbursement Rate was estimated conservatively at 67 % based on historical receipts over the last 5 years. The final Regional School Transportation Reimbursement Rate was 71 %. Any additional funds received were placed in the districts approved Surplus Transportation Aid Account and must be used in the following fiscal year to reduce the districts transportation budget per Massachusetts General Law.

As stated in past years, Pathfinder has generated substantial annual revenue from the enrollment of non-resident tuition students after all eligible in-district applicants have been accepted. These revenues are used to subsidize the annual operating budgets and reduce District assessments. Annual out-of-district tuition revenue for the last 3 years is as follows: FY16 @ \$415,660, FY17 @ \$561,359 , FY18 @ \$566,234. Pathfinder currently anticipates FY19 revenues to be consistent with the FY18 final revenues.

Pathfinders Chapter 70 Aid has changed very little in recent years with a total increase of \$68,434.00 for the last four years. As the states Foundation Budget Calculation has not been changed/updated since its inception in 1993, the state's support in the specific areas of Health Care Costs and Special Education Costs has been woefully inadequate. The lack of Chapter 70 funding in these areas has caused cities and towns to pick up a disproportionate share of these costs. While the state did convene a Foundation Budget Review Commission in 2014-15, it has yet to adopt any of the commission's suggestions in the areas described above. Until the Foundation Calculation is updated in the areas of health care and special education assumptions, cities and towns will see very little relief. There is growing optimism that the legislature and Governor Baker may make progress on this issue in FY20.

In conclusion, with little to no growth in the areas of Chapter 70 Aid, Regional Transportation Aid, Medicaid Reimbursements and School Choice; future budgeting will require creative solutions to maximize limited educational funding to meet the ever-increasing costs in areas such as English-Learners, Special Education, Salaries, and employee benefits. With this in mind, Pathfinder is continuously reviews both programmatic and operational practices to ensure a "state of the art" career and technical education in a fiscally responsible manner.

The following chart illustrates the FY19 assessments (voted in spring of FY18) to each member community:

Towns	Minimum Contribution	Additional Contribution	Extraordinary Maintenance	Capital Plan Year 1	Transportation	Retiree Health Insurance	Roof Project Assessment	Total Assessments
Belchertown	872,262	381,481	1,887	21,365	47,563	53,209	38,238	1,416,004
Granby	206,212	64,174	628	7,107	8,001	8,951	12,721	307,795
Hardwick	121,826	67,740	286	3,241	8,446	9,448	5,801	216,789
Monson	820,974	303,045	799	9,049	37,784	42,269	16,196	1,230,116
New Braintree	74,133	28,522	127	1,435	3,556	3,978	2,568	114,319
Oakham	157,146	53,479	195	2,203	6,668	7,459	3,943	231,092
Palmer	996,339	502,699	1,222	13,835	62,677	70,116	24,762	1,671,650
Ware	711,683	424,264	1,100	12,459	52,898	59,176	22,299	1,283,879
Warren	275,536	164,001	557	6,306	20,448	22,875	11,286	501,008
Totals	4,236,111	1,989,404	6,800	77,000	248,041	277,481	137,815	6,972,652

CONCLUDING STATEMENT: As Pathfinder enters its 46th year offering quality career and technical education to our member communities, the school committee wishes to reaffirm its pride in the staff and students. They have made substantial contributions to the economic health of our District. The committee recognizes that, in this era of accountability and high expectations, many changes need to be made. The increased emphasis on academic skills needs to be maintained without diminishing the quality of students' technical studies.

Finally, the committee wishes to thank our legislators, town officials, and the several town meetings for their support over these years.

The committee is mindful of the prediction that FY20 fiscal picture will undoubtedly present another challenge. However - as always - the goal will be to preserve the quality of education that the students deserve.

Respectfully submitted,

David Droz (Palmer), Chairman
Michael J. Cavanaugh (Palmer), Vice Chairman
Lorraine F. Alves (Belchertown), Secretary
Francesco Dell'Olio (Belchertown)
William E. Johnson (Granby)
Julie Quink (Hardwick)

Kathleen Barrett (Monson)
Shane Stafford (New Braintree)
Jeffrey Nelson (Oakham)
M. Barbara Ray (Ware)
Heather Ackerman (Warren)
Elan de Ris, Student Member

Gerald L. Paist, Superintendent-Director

SKATE PARK COMMITTEE

The Skate Park Committee continued to clean and maintain the Skate Park grounds in 2018. With an increased awareness about helmet use being important for all users, helmet use was monitored at the Park. With cooperation from the Police Department, and random checks to the Park, helmet use was enforced. The Committee also had a fundraiser at Antonio's Pizza, and plans are being made to increase fundraising in 2019 to be able to obtain some needed routine maintenance checks on the ramps at the Park.

Michelle Ricker
Skate Park Committee

TOWN COMMON LIGHTING COMMITTEE

Committee members: Cindy Brown, Gloria Fortunato, Marnie Henneman, Jim Phaneuf, and Mr. Steven Williams, DPW Department, ex officio member.

The Town Common Lighting Committee is an official town committee created in the spring of 2018 with the task of refurbishing fourteen holiday light decorations purchased in 1999 for the Y2K event on the town common. Nineteen years of wear and tear reduced the display number of viable lights upon the common; hence, the creation of the Town Common Lighting Committee.



Thanks to donations of trade skills and materials (amounting to \$8345), good will donations, the sale of recycled light bulbs (Sparkle Pins/\$1 each), and with the town's DPW help, the entire project was completed 3 weeks before the

November 24th event of the Belchertown Cultural Committee.

Paint and primer were donated anonymously; sandblasting of the decorations was done by LMC-Ludlow (Walter Trusz, owner); priming and painting completed by the Automotive Department students of Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School; rewiring completed by 4th year electrical students of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local #7, with transportation and installation completed by the Belchertown DPW.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria R. Fortunato, Chairman
Town Common Lighting Committee

VETERANS' GRAVES

For the year 2018, all of Belchertown's Veterans' graves were flagged just prior to Memorial Day. A special thank you is extended to American Legion Post 239 for their flagging assistance at Mt. Hope Cemetery, as well as a thank you to Local VFW Post 8428 for their flagging assistance at South Cemetery. Help was also provided by a large group of Belchertown volunteers.

This year I applied for and received a historic preservation grant from the Belchertown CPA Committee. The money was used for gravestone restoration at Rural, South, Hillcrest and Lake Vale Cemeteries.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent Viglione, Veteran's Graves Officer
Kathleen M. Wood, Assistant Veteran's Graves Officer

VETERANS' SERVICE AGENT

The year 2018 provided many opportunities in providing State and Federal benefits to Veterans and their families due to the constantly changing economy and gradual growth in the job market. The Veterans' Advisory Board appreciatively provides valuable assistance to my office concerning Veterans' issues and planned Veteran activities in our Town.

Future plans for 2019 would include: 1) Networking resources for our Veterans' and their families in times of crisis or unforeseen circumstances; 2) Public informational programs on Veteran topics concerning VA, State benefits, and elder care issues; and, 3) A streamlined process to file VA paperwork. My office will continue to work with Belchertown residents, organizations, and programs that support our Veterans and their families.

The VFW and my office are still actively accepting DD 214s to place qualified names on the Middle East War Memorial.

Please contact my office at 323-0409 if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond J. Janke
Veterans' Agent



VETERANS' SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

During 2018, the Veterans' Services Advisory Board assisted my office in efficiently planning various Belchertown Veterans' ceremonies and in developing alternative ways to inform local Veterans' of available State and/or Federal veteran programs.

I wish to thank the Veterans and Selectmen who serve on the Veterans' Services Advisory Board; your service to the Belchertown Veterans and my office is greatly appreciated.

Please contact my office at 323-0409 if you have any questions or concerns for the Veterans' Services Advisory Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond J. Janke
Veterans' Agent

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

In the past year the Zoning Board of Appeals received two requests for Special Permits and one request for Variance. The Variance was granted; the two Special Permits were approved.

Respectfully submitted by:

Mark Hebert, Chairman
Brian Gibbons, Member
Jennifer Sharrow, Member

Wayne Versace, Associate Member
Nolan Smith Fernandez, Associate Member

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Combined Balance Sheet - All Types, Funds, and Account Groups
for the Period Ended June 30, 2018

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Sewer Enterprise	Landfill Enterprise	Fiduciary Trust Funds & Agency	Long Term Debt	Totals (Memo Only)
<u>ASSETS</u>								
Cash	4,215,478.44	3,276,896.47	113,919.82	491,794.03	45,710.00	3,859,930.27		12,003,729.03
Petty Cash Advance	165.00							165.00
Accounts Receivable:								
Property Taxes	345,055.20							345,055.20
Chapter 61	9,457.28							9,457.28
Excise Taxes	308,183.77							308,183.77
Tax Liens	342,821.31			13,627.94				356,449.25
Special Assessments	0.00			2,783,894.96				2,783,894.96
Departmental	602,649.94			442,919.51				1,045,569.45
Less Allow. for Uncollectible	(255,370.80)							(255,370.80)
Tax Foreclosures	61,823.21			39,602.94				101,426.15
Lieu Taxes	85.72							85.72
CPA Surcharge Receivable		2,242.92						2,242.92
Due From Other Governments	150,377.86	354,631.36						505,009.22
Amt. To be Provided-Notes Payable		248,000.00						248,000.00
Amt. To be Provided-Pmt of Debt							14,529,751.57	14,529,751.57
Amt. To be Prov.-Comp. Absence							229,333.17	229,333.17
Total Assets	5,780,726.93	3,881,770.75	113,919.82	3,771,839.38	45,710.00	3,859,930.27	14,759,084.74	32,212,981.89

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Combined Balance Sheet - All Types, Funds, and Account Groups
for the Period Ended June 30, 2018

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Sewer Enterprise	Landfill Enterprise	Fiduciary Trust Funds	Long Term Debt	Totals (Memo Only)
<u>LIABILITIES</u>								
Warrants Payable	840,091.65	101,332.70		38,628.43	2,372.11	33,465.73		1,015,890.62
Employee Withholdings	1,060,669.76							1,060,669.76
Deferred Revenue:								
Property Taxes	33,505.18							33,505.18
Chapter 61	9,457.28							9,457.28
Excise Taxes	308,183.77							308,183.77
Tax Liens	342,821.31			13,627.94				356,449.25
Special Assessments	0.00			2,783,894.96				2,783,894.96
Lieu Taxes	85.72							85.72
Departmental	602,649.94			442,919.51				1,045,569.45
Tax Foreclosures	61,823.21			39,602.94				101,426.15
CPA Surcharge Receivable		1,327.43						1,327.43
Government Receivable	150,377.86	354,631.36	0.00					505,009.22
Grant Receivable								0.00
Bond Anticipation Notes Payable	0.00	248,000.00						248,000.00
Early Pmt of 2019 Prop Tax/CPA Sl	56,179.22	915.49						57,094.71
Unclaimed Checks	4,165.36							4,165.36
Excess on Land of Low Value	(6,536.80)							(6,536.80)
Bond Indebtedness							14,529,751.57	14,529,751.57
Compensated Absences							229,333.17	229,333.17
Total Liabilities	<u>3,463,473.46</u>	<u>706,206.98</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>3,318,673.78</u>	<u>2,372.11</u>	<u>33,465.73</u>	<u>14,759,084.74</u>	<u>22,283,276.80</u>
<u>FUND EQUITY</u>								
Reserve for Encumbrances	129,571.60	0.00		7,799.90				137,371.50
Reserve for Expenditures	758,688.00	146,453.90		279,671.00	32,777.00			1,217,589.90
Unreserved Fund Balance	1,428,993.87							1,428,993.87
Reserved Fund Balance		3,008,691.99	113,929.82	165,694.70	10,560.89	3,826,464.54		7,125,341.94
Title V Septic System Loan		20,417.88						20,417.88
Total Fund Equity	<u>2,317,253.47</u>	<u>3,175,563.77</u>	<u>113,929.82</u>	<u>453,165.60</u>	<u>43,337.89</u>	<u>3,826,464.54</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>9,929,715.09</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	<u>5,780,726.93</u>	<u>3,881,770.75</u>	<u>113,929.82</u>	<u>3,771,839.38</u>	<u>45,710.00</u>	<u>3,859,930.27</u>	<u>14,759,084.74</u>	<u>32,212,991.89</u>

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
General Fund Balance Sheet
June 30, 2018

ASSETS

Cash		4,215,478.44
Petty Cash Advance		165.00
Accounts Receivable:		
Property Taxes	345,055.20	
Chapter 61	9,457.28	
Excise Taxes	308,183.77	
Tax Liens	342,821.31	
Lieu Taxes	85.72	
Departmental	602,649.94	
Governmental Receivable-Veterans:	150,377.86	
Less Allowance for Uncollectible	<u>(255,370.80)</u>	
		1,503,260.28
Due from Other Governments		0.00
Amount to be Provided for Notes Payable		0.00
Tax Foreclosure		<u>61,823.21</u>
Total Assets		<u>5,780,726.93</u>

LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY

Liabilities:

Warrants Payable		840,091.65
Employee Withholdings		1,060,669.76
Deferred Revenue:		
Property Taxes	33,505.18	
Chapter 61	9,457.28	
Excise Taxes	308,183.77	
Tax Liens	342,821.31	
Lieu Taxes	85.72	
Departmental	602,649.94	
Governmental Receivable-Veterans:	150,377.86	
Tax Foreclosures	<u>61,823.21</u>	
		1,508,904.27
BANS Payable		0.00
Excess on Land of Low Value		(6,536.80)
Early Payment of 2019 Property Tax		56,179.22
Unclaimed Checks		<u>4,165.36</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>3,463,473.46</u>

FUND EQUITY

Reserve for Expenditures		758,688.00
Reserve for Encumbrances		129,571.60
Unreserved Fund Balance		<u>1,428,993.87</u>
Total Fund Equity		<u>2,317,253.47</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity		<u>5,780,726.93</u>

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Special Revenue - Combining Balance Sheet
June 30, 2018

	CPA	Highways	GRANTS			School Lunch	School Revolvings	Departmental	Totals (Memo Only)
			Federal	State					
ASSETS									
Cash	455,355.28	(191,451.10)	(155,123.58)	(191,995.99)	(47,862.93)	90,118.24	3,317,856.55	3,276,896.47	
Petty Cash Advance		111,225.36		243,406.00				0.00	
Due From Commonwealth	248,000.00							354,631.36	
Amt to be Provided-Notes Payable	2,242.92							248,000.00	
Surcharge Receivable (thru FY18)								2,242.92	
Due from Federal Government								0.00	
Total Assets	705,598.20	(80,225.74)	(155,123.58)	51,410.01	(47,862.93)	90,118.24	3,317,856.55	3,881,770.75	
LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY									
Liabilities:									
Warrants Payable	0.00	0.00	24,203.41	10,571.41	9,520.23	5,824.89	51,212.76	101,332.70	
Deferred Rev - Gov't Receivable		111,225.36		243,406.00			0.00	354,631.36	
Employee Withholdings								0.00	
Bond Anticipation Note	248,000.00							248,000.00	
Deferred Rev - Surcharge Rec'ble	1,327.43							1,327.43	
Early pmt of '19 CPA Surcharge	915.49							915.49	
Deferred Rev - Grant Receivable								0.00	
Total Liabilities	250,242.92	111,225.36	24,203.41	253,977.41	9,520.23	5,824.89	51,212.76	706,206.98	
Fund Equity:									
Desig. for Subs Years Expense	308,901.38	(191,451.10)	(179,326.99)	(202,567.40)	(57,383.16)	84,293.35	3,246,225.91	3,008,691.99	
Reserve for Open Space	26,460.60							26,460.60	
Reserve for Historic Resources	26,460.00							26,460.00	
Reserve for Community Housing	93,533.30							93,533.30	
Reserve for Encumbrance	0.00							0.00	
Title V Septic System Loan							20,417.88	20,417.88	
Total Fund Equity	455,355.28	(191,451.10)	(179,326.99)	(202,567.40)	(57,383.16)	84,293.35	3,266,643.79	3,175,563.77	
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	705,598.20	(80,225.74)	(155,123.58)	51,410.01	(47,862.93)	90,118.24	3,317,856.55	3,881,770.75	

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Capital Projects Fund
Combined Balance Sheet
June 30, 2018

	BSS Roadway	Sewer upgrades	Energy Performance Contract	Totals (Memo. Only)
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash	102,581.65	(790.35)	12,128.52	113,919.82
WPAT Receivable		0.00		0.00
U.S.D.A. Grant Receivable		0.00		0.00
Amt. To be Prov. For Notes Pay.				0.00
Total Assets	<u>102,581.65</u>	<u>(790.35)</u>	<u>12,128.52</u>	<u>113,919.82</u>
<u>LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY</u>				
Liabilities:				
Warrants Payable				0.00
Deferred Rev. - WPAT Rec'ble				0.00
Deferred Rev. - USDA Grant				0.00
Bond Anticipation Note				0.00
Grant Anticipation Note Payable				0.00
Total Liabilities	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Fund Equity:				
Reserved Fund Balance	<u>102,581.65</u>	<u>(790.35)</u>	<u>12,128.52</u>	<u>113,919.82</u>
Total Fund Equity	<u>102,581.65</u>	<u>(790.35)</u>	<u>12,128.52</u>	<u>113,919.82</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	<u>102,581.65</u>	<u>(790.35)</u>	<u>12,128.52</u>	<u>113,919.82</u>

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Enterprise Funds - Combining Balance Sheet
June 30, 2018

	Sewer	Landfill	Totals (Memo. Only)
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash	491,794.03	45,710.00	537,504.03
Accounts Receivable:			
Sewer Liens Added to Taxes	2,904.12		2,904.12
Sewer User Fees	440,015.39		440,015.39
Assessments	2,783,894.96		2,783,894.96
Tax Liens - Sewer	13,627.94		13,627.94
Sewer Possessions	39,602.94		39,602.94
Total Assets	<u>3,771,839.38</u>	<u>45,710.00</u>	<u>3,817,549.38</u>
<u>LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY</u>			
Liabilities:			
Warrants Payable	38,628.43	2,372.11	41,000.54
Deferred Revenue:			
Sewer Liens	2,904.12		2,904.12
Sewer User Fees	440,015.39		440,015.39
Assessments	2,783,894.96		2,783,894.96
Tax Liens - Sewer	13,627.94		13,627.94
Sewer possessions	39,602.94		39,602.94
Total Liabilities	<u>3,318,673.78</u>	<u>2,372.11</u>	<u>3,321,045.89</u>
Fund Equity:			
Reserved for Expenditure	279,671.00	32,777.00	312,448.00
Reserved for Encumbrance	7,799.90		7,799.90
Retained Earnings	165,694.70	10,560.89	176,255.59
Total Fund Equity	<u>453,165.60</u>	<u>43,337.89</u>	<u>496,503.49</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	<u>3,771,839.38</u>	<u>45,710.00</u>	<u>3,817,549.38</u>

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Fiduciary Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
June 30, 2018

	Expendable Trust Funds	Non-Expendable Trust Funds	Agency Funds	Totals (Memo. Only)
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash	2,931,511.86	708,897.83	219,520.58	3,859,930.27
Total Assets	<u>2,931,511.86</u>	<u>708,897.83</u>	<u>219,520.58</u>	<u>3,859,930.27</u>
<u>LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY</u>				
Liabilities:				
Warrants Payable	1,602.63		31,863.10	33,465.73
Total Liabilities	<u>1,602.63</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>31,863.10</u>	<u>33,465.73</u>
Fund Equity:				
Fund Balances:				
Reserved	2,929,909.23	708,897.83	187,657.48	3,826,464.54
Total Fund Equity	<u>2,929,909.23</u>	<u>708,897.83</u>	<u>187,657.48</u>	<u>3,826,464.54</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	<u>2,931,511.86</u>	<u>708,897.83</u>	<u>219,520.58</u>	<u>3,859,930.27</u>

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Long Term Debt Group
Balance Sheet
June 30, 2018

	High School	Tri-Lakes Inel	WWTP	Sewer	Sewer	Sewer	Sr. Center	Land-Everett	Capital	Sewer	Sewer	Sewer	Route 181	BSS Roadway	Patrick	Unfunded	Unfunded	Totals
	2001	JBM/OMA Cap	Upgrade/Exp	Stadler St.	Springfield Rd	Pine Valley	Loan	Fuller, Topping	Projects 08	TriLakes #1	TriLakes #2	Jackson St.	Howard St.	Elmity Savings	Center	Vacation	Sick	(Memo. Only)
		Loan-05	MWPAT	MWPAT	MWPAT	MWPAT				MWPAT	MWPAT	MWPAT	Project	Project		Leave	Leave	
ASSETS																		
Am't to be Provided for payment of debt																		
6,140,000.00	160,000.00	561,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	160,000.00	45,000.00	123,000.00	357,000.00	685,000.00	1,445,155.44	886,812.13	371,784.00	1,915,000.00	230,000.00	1,165,000.00	140,000.00		14,529,751.57
Am't to be Provided for compensated absences																		
Total Assets	6,140,000.00	160,000.00	561,000.00	80,000.00	160,000.00	45,000.00	123,000.00	357,000.00	685,000.00	1,445,155.44	886,812.13	371,784.00	1,915,000.00	230,000.00	1,165,000.00	140,000.00		14,759,084.74
LIABILITIES																		
Bond Indebtedness																		
6,140,000.00	160,000.00	561,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	160,000.00	45,000.00	123,000.00	357,000.00	685,000.00	1,445,155.44	886,812.13	371,784.00	1,915,000.00	230,000.00	1,165,000.00	140,000.00		14,529,751.57
Compensated Absences																		
Total Liabilities	6,140,000.00	160,000.00	561,000.00	80,000.00	160,000.00	45,000.00	123,000.00	357,000.00	685,000.00	1,445,155.44	886,812.13	371,784.00	1,915,000.00	230,000.00	1,165,000.00	140,000.00		14,759,084.74

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts

Amortization Schedule
June 30, 2018

	Principal	Interest	Total
2019	3,219,436.85	508,494.19	3,727,931.04
2020	2,625,452.74	406,476.68	3,031,929.42
2021	2,402,580.07	304,615.48	2,707,195.55
2022	2,394,683.40	210,335.14	2,605,018.54
2023	856,901.17	114,478.11	971,379.28
2024	869,162.59	78,791.67	947,954.26
2025	490,062.17	61,594.96	551,657.13
2026	487,488.37	44,457.83	531,946.20
2027	489,963.04	27,261.93	517,224.97
2028	222,487.17	15,930.55	238,417.72
2029	124,903.00	11,506.65	136,409.65
2030	125,507.00	8,052.55	133,559.55
2031	126,124.00	4,586.24	130,710.24
2032	95,000.00	1,425.00	96,425.00
	<u>14,529,751.57</u>	<u>1,798,006.98</u>	<u>16,231,333.55</u>

Town of Belchertown
Statement of Expenditures Compared with Authorizations
For Period Ended June 30, 2018

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Encumbered to FY19
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>				
Selectmen	\$15,166.00	\$14,706.32	\$459.68	
Town Administrator	\$250,872.00	\$249,826.57	\$1,045.43	
Ch. 137 Military Leave Pay	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	
Cable TV Access	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	
Cable TV Operations	\$80,203.87	\$77,708.20 *	\$2,495.67	\$2,495.67
Finance Committee	\$250.00	\$210.00	\$40.00	
Reserve Fund	\$21,050.00	\$0.00	\$21,050.00 **	
Town Accountant	\$224,598.00	\$224,188.70	\$409.30	
Computer Director	\$350,205.00	\$319,271.36	\$30,933.64	\$10,150.00
Assessors	\$343,628.00	\$335,372.91	\$8,255.09	
Treasurer/Collector	\$322,313.00	\$302,881.18	\$19,431.82	\$4,742.05
Law Account	\$86,300.00	\$51,723.78	\$34,576.22	
Town Clerk	\$146,210.00	\$145,290.74	\$919.26	
Election & Registration	\$27,964.00	\$25,326.91	\$2,637.09	
Conservation Commission	\$86,487.00	\$84,764.72	\$1,722.28	\$164.95
Pioneer Valley Planning	\$2,307.00	\$2,306.34	\$0.66	
Planning Board	\$97,677.00	\$97,270.81	\$406.19	\$20.00
Zoning Board of Appeals	\$2,695.00	\$1,910.50	\$784.50	
EDIC	\$390.00	\$364.15	\$25.85	
Agricultural Commission	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	
Lakes Committee	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$0.00	
Mobile Home Rent Control	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	
Printing Town Report	<u>\$2,000.00</u>	<u>\$1,579.24</u>	<u>\$420.76</u>	
	\$2,076,515.87	\$1,950,702.43	\$125,813.44	\$17,572.67
<u>PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY</u>				
Police Department	\$2,281,304.52	\$2,217,185.49	\$64,119.03	\$719.75
Fire/EMS Department	\$1,510,327.00	\$1,478,880.17	\$31,446.83	\$1,050.06
Hydrant Service	\$27,456.00	\$25,200.00	\$2,256.00	\$1,456.00
Injured on Duty	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	
Regional Lockup Assessment	\$13,917.00	\$13,917.00	\$0.00	
Inspection Services	\$171,937.00	\$164,119.50	\$7,817.50	
Civil Defense	\$1,560.00	\$968.00	\$592.00	
Dog Officer	<u>\$80,900.00</u>	<u>\$80,806.93</u>	<u>\$93.07</u>	
	\$4,090,401.52	\$3,981,077.09	\$109,324.43	\$3,225.81
<u>EDUCATION</u>				
Town Schools	\$28,236,322.00	\$28,183,292.75 *	\$53,029.25	\$48,578.78
Regional School	<u>\$1,285,138.00</u>	<u>\$1,285,138.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	
	\$29,521,460.00	\$29,468,430.75	\$53,029.25	\$48,578.78

Town of Belchertown
Statement of Expenditures Compared with Authorizations
For Period Ended June 30, 2018

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Encumbered to FY19
<u>PUBLIC WORKS</u>				
Personal Services	\$833,859.00	\$827,987.57	\$5,871.43	\$92.00
Professional Engineering	\$78,390.00	\$45,911.27	\$32,478.73	\$32,170.30
Administration	\$20,570.00	\$17,285.62	\$3,284.38	\$2,392.77
Snow & Ice Control	\$334,390.00	\$334,389.78	\$0.22	
Street Lighting	\$42,200.00	\$36,377.40	\$5,822.60	
Road Machinery	\$184,500.00	\$183,910.77	\$589.23	
Streets/Construction/Maint.	\$168,000.00	\$164,934.94	\$3,065.06	\$3,065.00
Town Garage	\$36,865.00	\$36,863.14	\$1.86	
Hired Services	\$231,500.00	\$231,235.65	\$264.35	\$264.00
Maintenance/Grounds	\$461,200.00	\$454,119.41	\$7,080.59	\$6,900.00
Lawrence Memorial Hall	\$54,455.00	\$54,349.92	\$105.08	\$33.97
Finnerty House	\$8,700.00	\$8,291.98	\$408.02	
EMS Building	\$12,085.00	\$11,930.04	\$154.96	
Police Station	\$52,595.00	\$48,347.15	\$4,247.85	\$3,858.41
Senior Center Building	\$51,790.00	\$51,623.24	\$166.76	
Recreation Building	\$18,740.00	\$18,737.68	\$2.32	
Freedom Center	\$17,175.00	\$17,173.01	\$1.99	
Fam Ctr/Franklin School Building	\$12,130.00	\$11,846.84	\$283.16	\$100.61
Fire Station	\$39,700.00	\$34,319.16	\$5,380.84	\$5,134.00
Tadgell-MEMA Space	\$29,526.00	\$28,226.60	\$1,299.40	\$1,233.70
Animal Control Building	\$11,799.00	\$7,226.29	\$4,572.71	\$4,571.22
Old Town Hall	\$7,195.00	\$7,026.37	\$168.63	
Town Common	\$5,250.00	\$5,228.18	\$21.82	
Town Clock	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$0.00	
Cemetery Department	<u>\$31,200.00</u>	<u>\$30,024.35</u>	<u>\$1,175.65</u>	
	\$2,744,414.00	\$2,667,966.36	\$76,447.64	\$59,815.98
<u>HUMAN SERVICES</u>				
Board of Health	\$18,671.00	\$10,467.48	\$8,203.52	\$305.80
Quabbin Health District	\$160,616.06	\$160,616.06	\$0.00	
Council on Aging	\$543,815.00	\$534,107.74	\$9,707.26	
Veterans' Services	<u>\$293,931.00</u>	<u>\$237,168.49</u>	<u>\$56,762.51</u>	
	\$1,017,033.06	\$942,359.77	\$74,673.29	\$305.80
<u>CULTURE & RECREATION</u>				
Clapp Memorial Library	\$478,951.00	\$470,331.38	\$8,619.62	\$72.56
Recreation Department	\$273,512.00	\$273,074.94	\$437.06	
Recreation - Pool	\$32,775.00	\$32,073.54	\$701.46	
Town Beach	\$1,550.00	\$1,550.00	\$0.00	
Family Center	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Historical Commission	\$500.00	\$171.94	\$328.06	
Historic District	\$348.00	\$0.00	\$348.00	
Patriotic Exercises	<u>\$300.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$300.00</u>	
	\$787,936.00	\$777,201.80	\$10,734.20	\$72.56

Town of Belchertown
Statement of Expenditures Compared with Authorizations
For Period Ended June 30, 2018

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Encumbered to FY19
<u>INSURANCE & UNCLASSIFIED</u>				
Unclassified	\$54,475.00	\$50,016.76	\$4,458.24	
Council of Governments	\$3,750.00	\$3,750.00	\$0.00	
Pensions	\$2,736,162.00	\$2,736,162.00	\$0.00	
Workers' Compensation	\$5,254.00	\$0.00	\$5,254.00	
Unemployment	\$22,369.00	\$22,368.44	\$0.56	
Health Insurance-Town Share	\$1,088,540.00	\$1,088,539.81	\$0.19	
Group Life-Town Share	\$4,500.00	\$2,669.33	\$1,830.67	
Medicare-Town Share	\$110,000.00	\$104,030.96	\$5,969.04	
General Insurance	\$374,842.00	\$358,271.32	\$16,570.68	
One-time/Capital	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Unpaid Bills - Prior Year	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	
	\$4,399,892.00	\$4,365,808.62	\$34,083.38	\$0.00

DEBT & INTEREST

Maturing Debt	\$2,068,900.00	\$2,068,900.00	\$0.00	
Interest	<u>\$470,169.00</u>	<u>\$468,668.13</u>	<u>\$1,500.87</u>	
	\$2,539,069.00	\$2,537,568.13	\$1,500.87	\$0.00

ENCUMBERED FUNDS

General Government	\$15,523.75	\$9,598.33	\$5,925.42	
Protection of Persons & Prop.	\$16,621.05	\$16,353.05	\$268.00	
School Department	\$53,674.93	\$45,924.73	\$7,750.20	
Public Works	\$23,170.72	\$19,226.97	\$3,943.75	\$3,568.17
Unclassified	\$118.00	\$0.00	\$118.00	
Human Services	\$688.69	\$688.69	\$0.00	
Capital & one time	<u>\$107,405.08</u>	<u>\$98,822.58</u>	<u>\$8,582.50</u>	\$8,582.50
	\$217,202.22	\$190,614.35	\$26,587.87	\$12,150.67

Town of Belchertown
Statement of Expenditures Compared with Authorizations
For Period Ended June 30, 2018

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Encumbered to FY19
<u>SUMMARY</u>				
General Government	\$2,076,515.87	\$1,950,702.43	\$125,813.44	\$17,572.67
Protection of Persons/Property	\$4,090,401.52	\$3,981,077.09	\$109,324.43	\$3,225.81
Education	\$29,521,460.00	\$29,468,430.75	\$53,029.25	\$48,578.78
Public Works	\$2,744,414.00	\$2,667,966.36	\$76,447.64	\$59,815.98
Human Services	\$1,017,033.06	\$942,359.77	\$74,673.29	\$305.80
Culture & Recreation	\$787,936.00	\$777,201.80	\$10,734.20	\$72.56
Insurance & Unclassified	\$4,399,892.00	\$4,365,808.62	\$34,083.38	\$0.00
Debt & Interest	<u>\$2,539,069.00</u>	<u>\$2,537,568.13</u>	<u>\$1,500.87</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
	\$47,176,721.45	\$46,691,114.95	\$485,606.50	\$129,571.60
Encumbered Funds	<u>\$217,202.22</u>	<u>\$190,614.35</u>	<u>\$26,587.87</u>	<u>\$12,150.67</u>
TOTALS	<u>\$47,393,923.67</u>	<u>\$46,881,729.30</u>	<u>\$512,194.37</u>	<u>\$141,722.27</u>

* Unencumbered balance of Cable tv access channel ops goes back to Receipts Reserved acct, eoy

**Reserve fund transfers not shown as expense. Budget amt is ending balance amt.

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures Changes in Fund Balance for Period Ended June 30, 2018

	GENERAL GOVERNMENT FUNDS			ENTERPRISE FUNDS		FIDUCIARY TYPE (TRUSTS)		TOTALS (Memo. Only)
	General Fund	Special Rev.	Capital Funds	Sewer	Landfill	Expendable	Non-Expendable	
Revenue:								
Taxes	26,501,154.75							26,501,154.75
State Receipts	17,512,554.00							17,512,554.00
Excise Taxes	2,214,971.31							2,214,971.31
Lieu Taxes	330,539.89							330,539.89
Licenses & Permits	248,999.42							248,999.42
Interest	234,505.62	(5,090.68)		6,049.05		(19,227.07)		216,236.92
Fines & Forfeits	41,644.27							41,644.27
Departmental Revenue	448,747.29	2,988,838.44		1,695,169.40	300,586.68			5,433,341.81
Fees	69,648.00							69,648.00
Rentals	43,822.57							43,822.57
Umass Transit	27,551.00							27,551.00
Other Miscellaneous	82,742.36	274,787.60					2,800.00	360,329.96
Grants		3,252,850.22						3,252,850.22
Performance Guarantees		8,500.00						8,500.00
Gifts		259,973.32						259,973.32
Temporary Loans								0.00
MWPAT								0.00
Bond Proceeds								0.00
Total Revenues	47,756,880.48	6,779,858.90	0.00	1,701,218.45	300,586.68	(19,227.07)	2,800.00	56,522,117.44
Expenditures:								
General Government	1,950,702.43	988,619.56						2,939,321.99
Protection of Persons & Property	3,981,077.09	363,044.94						4,344,122.03
Education	29,468,430.75	3,483,412.48				6,600.00		32,958,443.23
Public Works	2,667,966.36	1,034,579.44						4,860,690.36
Human Services	942,359.77	242,523.33		867,814.81	290,329.75			1,189,187.68
Culture & Recreation	777,201.80	394,819.97				4,304.58		1,172,021.77
Insurance & Unclassified	4,365,808.62							4,365,808.62
Debt & Interest	2,537,568.13			905,249.89				3,442,818.02

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures Changes in Fund Balance for Period Ended June 30, 2018

	GENERAL GOVERNMENT FUNDS			ENTERPRISE FUNDS		FIDUCIARY TYPE		TOTALS (Memo. Only)
	General Fund	Special Rev.	Capital Funds	Sewer	Landfill	Expendable	Non-Expendable	
Expenditures (continued):								
State Assessments	1,372,416.00							1,372,416.00
Prior Year Expenditures	190,614.35			9,202.98				199,817.33
Land Purchase								0.00
Construction			1,134,168.35					1,134,168.35
Equipment								0.00
Return of Unexpended Funds								0.00
Temporary Loan								0.00
Total Expenditures	<u>48,254,145.30</u>	<u>6,506,999.72</u>	<u>1,134,168.35</u>	<u>1,782,267.68</u>	<u>290,329.75</u>	<u>10,904.58</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>57,978,815.38</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(497,264.82)	272,859.18	(1,134,168.35)	(81,049.23)	10,256.93	(30,131.65)	2,800.00	(1,456,697.94)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Operating Transfers In	1,234,859.05	28,663.86	0.00	21,236.00	0.00	310,000.00	0.00	1,594,758.91
Operating Transfers Out	<u>336,032.13</u>	<u>1,008,726.78</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>250,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,594,758.91</u>
Total Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>898,826.92</u>	<u>(980,062.92)</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>21,236.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>60,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Excess of Revenues & Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures & Other Fin. Uses	401,562.10	(707,203.74)	(1,134,168.35)	(59,813.23)	10,256.93	29,868.35	2,800.00	(1,456,697.94)
Audit Adjustment *								0.00
Fund Balance 7-1-17	<u>1,915,691.37</u>	<u>4,070,424.99</u>	<u>1,248,088.17</u>	<u>512,978.83</u>	<u>33,080.96</u>	<u>2,900,040.88</u>	<u>706,097.83</u>	<u>11,386,403.03</u>
Fund Balance 6-30-18	<u>2,317,253.47</u>	<u>3,363,221.25</u>	<u>113,919.82</u>	<u>453,165.60</u>	<u>43,337.89</u>	<u>2,929,909.23</u>	<u>708,897.83</u>	<u>9,929,705.09</u>

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
General Fund
Statement of Revenue, Expenditures Changes in Fund Balance
for Period Ended June 30, 2018

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Taxes	26,301,806.00	26,501,154.75	199,348.75
State Receipts	17,553,603.00	17,512,554.00	(41,049.00)
Excise Taxes	1,905,000.00	2,214,971.31	309,971.31
Lieu Taxes	327,000.00	330,539.89	3,539.89
Licenses & Permits	301,150.00	248,999.42	(52,150.58)
Interest	176,500.00	234,505.62	58,005.62
Fines & Forfeits	40,200.00	41,644.27	1,444.27
Departmental Revenue	289,300.00	448,747.29	159,447.29
Fees	68,700.00	69,648.00	948.00
Rentals	42,000.00	43,822.57	1,822.57
Umass Transit	30,000.00	27,551.00	(2,449.00)
Other (Misc + Mema)	0.00	82,742.36	82,742.36
Temporary Loans	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Revenues	47,035,259.00	47,756,880.48	721,621.48
Expenditures:			
General Government	2,076,515.87	1,950,702.43	125,813.44
Protection of Persons & Property	4,090,401.52	3,981,077.09	109,324.43
Education	29,521,460.00	29,468,430.75	53,029.25
Public Works	2,744,414.00	2,667,966.36	76,447.64
Human Services	1,017,033.06	942,359.77	74,673.29
Culture & Recreation	787,936.00	777,201.80	10,734.20
Insurance & Unclassified	4,399,892.00	4,365,808.62	34,083.38
Debt & Interest	2,539,069.00	2,537,568.13	1,500.87
State Assessments	1,374,367.00	1,372,416.00	1,951.00
Prior Year Expenditures	217,202.22	190,614.35	26,587.87
Temporary Loans	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Expenditures	48,768,290.67	48,254,145.30	514,145.37
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		<u>(497,264.82)</u>	
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Operating Transfers In	1,143,000.00	1,234,859.05	
Operating Transfers Out	<u>331,236.00</u>	<u>336,032.13</u>	
Total Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>811,764.00</u>	<u>898,826.92</u>	
Excess of Revenues & Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures & Other Financing Uses		401,562.10	
Fund Balance 7/1/17		<u>1,915,691.37</u>	
Fund Balance 6/30/18		<u>2,317,253.47</u>	

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Special Revenue Fund
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures Changes in Fund Balance
for Period Ended June 30, 2018

	CPA	Highways	Federal	GRANTS State	School Lunch	School Revolving	Departmental	Agency Funds	Totals (Memo Only)
Revenues:									
Grants	39,425.00	522,865.01	935,575.70	563,455.83	317,140.57		874,388.11		3,252,850.22
Collections & Fees	243,614.34		35,788.04	21,508.00	376,577.97	214,758.90	1,856,124.19	240,467.00	2,988,838.44
Interest	(5,820.40)			(132.32)	330.89		(19.03)	550.18	(5,090.68)
Performance Guarantees								8,500.00	8,500.00
Gifts			5,094.85	7,196.58			247,681.89		259,973.32
Temporary Loans									0.00
Other					200.00		11,200.00	263,387.60	274,787.60
Total Revenues	277,218.94	522,865.01	976,458.59	592,028.09	694,249.43	214,758.90	2,989,375.16	512,904.78	6,779,858.90
Expenditures:									
General Government	616,901.58			244,712.66			54,093.14	72,912.18	988,619.56
Protection of Persons & Property			35,514.86	104,035.68			52,758.53	170,735.87	363,044.94
Education			839,896.45	92,539.01	716,641.97	205,896.18	1,367,010.37	261,428.50	3,483,412.48
Department of Public Works		710,501.41		221,057.87			92,070.16	10,950.00	1,034,579.44
Human Services			145,210.33	76,401.64			20,911.36	0.00	242,523.33
Culture & Recreation				9,954.82			384,865.15		394,819.97
Debt & Interest									0.00
Total Expenditures	616,901.58	710,501.41	1,020,621.64	748,701.68	716,641.97	205,896.18	1,971,708.71	516,026.55	6,506,999.72
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(339,682.64)	(187,636.40)	(44,163.05)	(156,673.59)	(22,392.54)	8,862.72	1,017,666.45	(3,121.77)	272,859.18
Other Financing Sources (Uses):									
Operating Transfers In							28,663.86		28,663.86
Operating Transfers Out							1,008,726.78		1,008,726.78
Total Financing Sources (Uses)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(980,062.92)	0.00	(980,062.92)

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Special Revenue Fund
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures Changes in Fund Balance
for Period Ended June 30, 2018

	CPA	Highways	Federal	GRANTS		School Lunch	School Revolving	Departmental	Agency Funds	Totals (Memo Only)
				State						
Excess of Revenues & Other Financing Sources Over (Under)										
Expenditures & Other Financ. Uses	(339,682.64)	(187,636.40)	(44,163.05)	(156,673.59)	(22,392.54)		8,862.72	37,603.53	(3,121.77)	(707,203.74)
Audit Adjustments										0.00
Balance 7-1-17	<u>795,037.92</u>	<u>(3,814.70)</u>	<u>(135,163.94)</u>	<u>(45,893.81)</u>	<u>(34,990.62)</u>		<u>75,430.63</u>	<u>3,229,040.26</u>	<u>190,779.25</u>	<u>4,070,424.99</u>
Balance 6-30-18	<u>455,355.28</u>	<u>(191,451.10)</u>	<u>(179,326.99)</u>	<u>(202,567.40)</u>	<u>(57,383.16)</u>		<u>84,293.35</u>	<u>3,266,643.79</u>	<u>187,657.48</u>	<u>3,363,221.25</u>

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Capital Projects Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures Changes in Fund Balance
for Period Ended June 30, 2018

	WWTP & Other Sewer	Energy Performance Contract	BSS Roadway	Totals (Memo. Only)
Revenues:				
Interest				\$0.00
MWPAT				\$0.00
USDA Grant				\$0.00
USDA Loan				\$0.00
Rebates				\$0.00
Temporary Loans				\$0.00
Bond Proceeds				<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$0.00
Expenditures:				
Construction			\$1,134,168.35	\$1,134,168.35
Equipment				\$0.00
Return of Unexpended Funds				\$0.00
Temporary Loans				<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$1,134,168.35</u>	<u>\$1,134,168.35</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,134,168.35)	\$0.00
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Operating Transfers In				\$0.00
Operation Transfers Out				<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Excess Revenues & Other Finan. Sources Over (Under) Expenditures & Other Finan. Uses	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,134,168.35)	(\$1,134,168.35)
Fund Balance 7-1-17	<u>(\$790.35)</u>	<u>\$12,128.52</u>	<u>\$1,236,750.00</u>	<u>\$1,248,088.17</u>
Fund Balance 6-30-18	<u>(\$790.35)</u>	<u>\$12,128.52</u>	<u>\$102,581.65</u>	<u>\$113,919.82</u>

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Sewer Enterprise Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures Changes in Fund Balance
for the Period Ended June 30, 2018

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenue:			
User Fees	1,400,000.00	1,482,708.72	82,708.72
Sewer Assessments	149,300.00	170,142.98	20,842.98
Sewer Connections	30,000.00	26,662.50	(3,337.50)
Interest	0.00	6,049.05	6,049.05
Miscellaneous	0.00	15,625.20	15,625.20
Dumping Fees	<u>0.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>
Total Revenue	1,579,300.00	1,701,218.45	121,918.45
Expenditures:			
Environmental	911,530.00	867,814.81	43,715.19
Debt & Interest	905,254.00	905,249.89	4.11
Prior Year Expenditures	<u>9,237.72</u>	<u>9,202.98</u>	<u>34.74</u>
Total Expenditures	1,826,021.72	1,782,267.68	43,719.30
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		<u>(81,049.23)</u>	
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Operating Transfers In	21,236.00	21,236.00	0.00
Operating Transfers Out	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	0.00
Total Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>21,236.00</u>	<u>21,236.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Excess of Revenues & Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing (Uses)		(59,813.23)	
Fund Balance 7/1/17		<u>512,978.83</u>	
Fund Balance 6/30/18		<u>453,165.60</u>	

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Landfill Enterprise Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures Changes in Fund Balance
for Period Ending June 30, 2018

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenue:			
User Fees	283,700.00	296,247.00	12,547.00
Sale of Recycling	7,000.00	<u>4,339.68</u>	<u>(2,660.32)</u>
Total Revenue	290,700.00	300,586.68	9,886.68
Expenditures:			
Environmental Hazardous Waste	291,308.00	290,329.75	978.25
Total Expenditures	299,937.00	290,329.75	9,607.25
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		<u>10,256.93</u>	
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Operating Transfers In	0.00	0.00	0.00
Operating Transfers Out	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Excess of Revenues & Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing (Uses)		<u>10,256.93</u>	
Fund Balance 7/1/17		<u>33,080.96</u>	
Fund Balance 6/30/18		<u>43,337.89</u>	

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts
Non-Expendable Trust Funds
Statement of Changes in Fund Balance
for Period Ended June 30, 2018

	Balance 7/1/2017	Additions	Transfers In/(Out)	Balance 6/30/2018
Poor Funds:				
Susan M. D. Bridgman	512,860.69			512,860.69
Whiting Street	10,000.00			10,000.00
School Funds:				
George W. Longley Music	2,000.00			2,000.00
Calvin Bridgman High School	6,000.00			6,000.00
Library Fund:				
Calvin Bridgman Library	4,000.00			4,000.00
Town Clock Fund:				
Fank Scialla Memorial	2,100.00			2,100.00
Senior Center Fund:				
Senior Center Memorial	0.00			0.00
Penson Fund:				
Pensions	0.00			0.00
Retirement Trust	0.00			0.00
Cemetery Funds:				
Perpetual Care	166,137.14	2,800.00		168,937.14
Susan M. D. Bridgman	200.00			200.00
Nellie E. Brown	1,000.00			1,000.00
Willard Stebbins	1,500.00			1,500.00
Vianna E. Somes	<u>300.00</u>			<u>300.00</u>
	<u>706,097.83</u>	<u>2,800.00</u>		<u>708,897.83</u>

Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts

Expendable Trust Funds

Statement of Changes in Fund Balance For Period Ended June 30, 2018

	Balance 7/1/2017	Additions	Income	Expended	Transferred In/(Out)	Reserved	Undes Fund Balance	Balance 6/30/2018
Poor Funds:								
Susan M. D. Bridgman	\$238,246.04		\$4,004.23	\$4,768.05			\$237,482.22	\$237,482.22
Whiting Street	\$55,436.74		(\$675.13)				\$54,761.61	\$54,761.61
School Funds:								
George W. Longley Music	\$5,738.85		(\$79.83)				\$5,659.02	\$5,659.02
Calvin Bridgman High School	\$16,963.58		(\$236.89)				\$16,726.69	\$16,726.69
Lillian Moffatt Scholarship	\$72,709.52		(\$713.12)	\$5,000.00			\$66,996.40	\$66,996.40
Pazasis Scholarship	\$0.00		\$0.00				\$0.00	\$0.00
C. Schott Memorial Scholarsh	\$11,852.73		(\$129.96)	\$1,500.00			\$10,222.77	\$10,222.77
Hansbury Scholarship	\$0.00		\$0.00				\$0.00	\$0.00
Shumway Scholarship	\$2,045.46		(\$20.37)	\$100.00			\$1,925.09	\$1,925.09
Library Fund:								
Calvin Bridgman Library	\$2,518.33		(\$67.26)				\$2,451.07	\$2,451.07
Town Clock Fund:								
Fank Scialla Memorial	\$4,313.90		(\$66.18)				\$4,247.72	\$4,247.72
Senior Center Fund:								
Senior Center Memorial	\$72,374.91		(\$745.42)	(\$650.00)			\$72,279.49	\$72,279.49
Cemetery Funds:								
Perpetual Care	\$53,712.07		\$1,596.37				\$55,308.44	\$55,308.44
Susan M.D. Bridgman	\$1,561.81		(\$18.20)				\$1,543.61	\$1,543.61
Nellie E. Brown	\$2,191.33		(\$32.98)	\$186.53			\$1,971.82	\$1,971.82
Willard Stebbins	\$2,624.10		(\$42.53)				\$2,581.57	\$2,581.57
Vianna E. Somes	\$2,856.73		(\$32.56)				\$2,824.17	\$2,824.17
E. Schmidt Memorial	\$0.00		\$0.00				\$0.00	\$0.00
Penson Fund								
Retirement Trust	\$0.00		\$0.00				\$0.00	\$0.00
Conservation Fund	\$928.55		(\$9.57)				\$918.98	\$918.98
OPEB Liability Trust	\$10,060.72	\$10,000.00	\$513.68				\$20,574.40	\$20,574.40
Stabilization Fund	\$2,207,793.73	\$300,000.00	(\$23,085.53)		(\$250,000.00)		\$2,234,708.20	\$2,234,708.20
Workers' Compensation Fund	\$136,111.78		\$614.18				\$136,725.96	\$136,725.96
	<u>\$2,900,040.88</u>	<u>\$310,000.00</u>	<u>(\$19,227.07)</u>	<u>\$10,904.58</u>	<u>(\$250,000.00)</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$2,929,909.23</u>	<u>\$2,929,909.23</u>

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER
JULY 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018

CASH ON HAND 6/30/2017	\$ 13,403,662.66	PAYMENTS AS AUTHORIZED	\$ 67,379,723.50	
RECEIPTS	\$ 65,979,789.87	CASH ON HAND 6/30/2018	\$ 12,003,729.03	
	\$ 79,383,452.53		\$ 79,383,452.53	
INTEREST INCOME FROM SAVINGS DEPOSITS, INVESTMENTS, BUT EXCLUDING TRUST FUNDS, SPECIAL ACCTS & STABILIZATION FUND				
	TRUST FUNDS	DEPOSITS	SPECIAL ACCOUNTS	TRANSFERS&W/D
	BALANCE 7/1/2017		INTEREST & DIVIDENDS	BALANCE 6/30/2018
SCHOOL FUNDS				
C. BRIDGMAN (H.S.)	\$ 22,963.58		(236.89)	\$ 22,726.69
GEORGE LONGLEY	\$ 7,738.85		(79.83)	\$ 7,659.02
TAX SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 783.74	\$ 5,820.28	20.76	\$ 6,624.78
LILLIAN MOFFATT SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 72,709.52		(713.12)	\$ 66,996.40
CAROLYN SCHOTT SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 11,852.73		(129.96)	\$ 10,222.77
SHUMWAY SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 2,045.46		(20.37)	\$ 1,925.09
CEMETERY FUNDS				
SUSAN BRIDGMAN	\$ 1,761.81		(18.20)	\$ 1,743.61
WILLARD STEBBINS	\$ 4,124.10		(42.53)	\$ 4,081.57
VIANNA SOMES	\$ 3,156.73		(32.56)	\$ 3,124.17
NELLIE BROWN	\$ 3,191.33		(32.98)	\$ 2,971.82
PERPETUAL CARE	\$ 219,849.21	\$ 2,800.00	1,596.37	\$ 224,245.58
POOR FUNDS				
SUSAN BRIDGMAN	\$ 751,106.73		4,334.23	\$ 750,910.84
WHITING STREET	\$ 65,436.74		(675.13)	\$ 64,761.61
MISC FUNDS				
F. SCIALLA (CLOCK)	\$ 6,413.90		(66.18)	\$ 6,347.72
C. BRIDGMAN (LIBRARY)	\$ 6,518.33		(67.26)	\$ 6,451.07
CONSERVATION	\$ 928.55		(9.57)	\$ 918.98
SENIOR CENTER	\$ 72,374.91	\$ 650.00	(745.42)	\$ 72,279.49
STABILIZATION FUND	\$ 2,207,793.73	\$ 50,000.00	(23,085.53)	\$ 2,234,708.20
WORKERS COMPENSATION TRUST	\$ 136,111.78		614.18	\$ 136,725.96
DRUG FORFEITURE ACCOUNT	\$ 10,995.78	\$ 1,090.59	(108.84)	\$ 10,142.34
CULTURAL COUNCIL	\$ 6,603.60	\$ 10,045.00	(132.32)	\$ 12,311.59
OPEB	\$ 10,060.72	\$ 10,000.00	513.68	\$ 20,574.40
TOTALS	\$ 3,624,521.83	\$ 80,405.87	(19,117.47)	\$ 3,668,453.70

FOOTNOTE: It is the policy of this office based on the request of the Town's financial audit firm that we record to the market values of the investments in our portfolio. As interest rates continue to rise the market value tends to track lower than the redemption value. Position and account values shown are based on trade date and do not necessarily reflect the actual current market prices or redemption value at the time of sale.

Over 87% of the Town's investments are held in fixed income products and all investments are made in compliance of M.G.L. Ch. 44, Sec. 54, Sec. 55, 55B and M.G.L. Ch. 32B, Sec 20

#997-PARSONS FIELD	NOTE & PURPOSE	FUNDS BORROWED DU THE PERIOD		JULY 1, 2017- JUNE 30, 2018		INTEREST RATE
		FROM	DATED	AMOUNT	DUE DATE	
		GREENFIELD COOPER	6/5/2018	\$ 248,000.00	6/5/2019	1.87%
		RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED				
		LISA M BANNER				
		TOWN TREASURER				

**TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN
TOWN / TAX COLLECTOR REPORT
7/1/2017 - 6/30/2018**

FISCAL 2016 REAL ESTATE

OUTSTANDING 6/30/2017		\$	37,280.81
TO TAX TITLE	\$	5,519.82	
COLLECTED	\$	26,178.66	
OUTSTANDING 6/30/2018	\$	1,022.33	
	\$	32,720.81	\$ 37,280.81

FISCAL 2017 REAL ESTATE

OUTSTANDING 6/30/2017		\$	307,766.15
REFUNDED		\$	1,044.53
TO TAX TITLE	\$	16,985.00	
COLLECTED	\$	249,326.20	
OUTSTANDING 6/30/2018	\$	42,499.48	
	\$	308,810.68	\$ 308,810.68

REAL ESTATE NEW CONN 2017

OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017		\$	13,923.91
COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION		\$	49,205.44
REFUNDED		\$	960.38
COLLECTED	\$	64,089.73	
OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	-	
	\$	64,089.73	\$ 64,089.73

FISCAL 2018 REAL ESTATE

OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017		\$	12,599,293.25
COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION		\$	13,239,670.29
REFUNDED		\$	95,537.97
ABATED	\$	122,609.02	
TO TAX TITLE	\$	45,469.53	
COLLECTED	\$	25,477,020.17	
OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	289,402.79	
	\$	25,934,501.51	\$ 25,934,501.51

REAL ESTATE NEW CONN 2018

COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION		\$	52,620.72
REFUNDED		\$	16.60
COLLECTED	\$	49,192.10	
OUTSTANDING 6/30/2018	\$	3,445.22	
	\$	52,637.32	\$ 52,637.32

FISCAL 2019 REAL ESTATE

COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION		\$	13,129,970.46
COLLECTED	\$	112,051.78	
OUTSTANDING 6/30/2018	\$	13,017,918.68	
	\$	13,129,970.46	\$ 13,129,970.46

2013 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017		\$	6,457.36
COLLECTED	\$	598.54	
OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	5,858.82	
	\$	6,457.36	\$ 6,457.36

2014 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017		\$	8,477.41
COLLECTED	\$	986.78	
OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	7,490.63	
	\$	8,477.41	\$ 8,477.41

CPA 2016

OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017		\$	46.28
TO TAX TITLE	\$	46.28	
OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	-	
	\$	46.28	\$ 46.28

CPA 2017

OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017		\$	1,868.76
COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION		\$	664.62
TO TAX TITLE	\$	109.69	
COLLECTED	\$	2,218.14	
OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	205.55	
	\$	2,533.38	\$ 2,533.38

CPA 2018

OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017		\$	116,661.10
COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION		\$	126,572.17
REFUNDED		\$	117.69
ABATED	\$	1,971.96	
TO TAX TITLE	\$	264.65	
COLLECTED	\$	239,076.98	
OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	2,037.37	
	\$	243,350.96	\$ 243,350.96

CPA 2019

COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION		\$	123,526.87
COLLECTED	\$	915.49	
OUTSTANDING 6/30/2018	\$	122,611.38	
	\$	123,526.87	\$ 123,526.87

2017 SEWER CHARGES

OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017		\$	445,893.63
REFUNDED		\$	2,084.52
TO TAX LIEN	\$	72,006.85	
COLLECTED	\$	375,885.06	
OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	86.24	
	\$	447,978.15	\$ 447,978.15

2017 SEWER LIENS

OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017		\$	2,133.26
COLLECTED	\$	2,133.26	
OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	-	
	\$	2,133.26	\$ 2,133.26

2018 SEWER CHARGES

COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION		\$	1,471,043.27
COLLECTED	\$	1,031,114.12	
OUTSTANDING 6/30/2018	\$	439,929.15	
	\$	1,471,043.27	\$ 1,471,043.27

2018 SEWER LIENS

COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION		\$	79,495.60
TO TAX TITLE	\$	930.68	
COLLECTED	\$	75,660.80	
OUTSTANDING 6/30/2018	\$	2,904.12	
	\$	79,495.60	\$ 79,495.60

FISCAL 2014 PERS PROP

OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017		\$	4,109.98
COLLECTED	\$	4,047.03	
OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	62.95	
	\$	4,109.98	\$ 4,109.98

TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN
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2015 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

OUTSTANDING 6/30/2017	\$	11,178.50	FISCAL 2015 PERS PROP		
REFUND	\$	241.36	OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017	\$	2,826.67
ABATED	\$	278.86	OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	2,826.67
COLLECTED	\$	3,933.78		\$	2,826.67
OUTSTANDING 6/30/2018	\$	7,207.22			
	\$	11,419.86			

2016 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017	\$	29,619.33	FISCAL 2016 PERS PROP		
REFUND	\$	1,891.67	OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017	\$	2,428.51
ABATED	\$	2,458.33	COLLECTED	\$	446.06
COLLECTED	\$	17,054.27	OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	1,982.45
OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	11,998.40		\$	2,428.51
	\$	31,511.00			

2017 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017	\$	310,071.43	FISCAL 2017 PERS PROP		
COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION	\$	209,848.92	OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017	\$	4,725.07
REFUNDED	\$	18,621.69	ABATED	\$	373.85
ABATED	\$	29,500.97	COLLECTED	\$	2,431.85
COLLECTED	\$	471,981.27	OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	1,919.37
OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	37,059.80		\$	4,725.07
	\$	538,542.04			

2018 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION	\$	1,935,290.23	FISCAL 2018 PERS PROP		
REFUNDED	\$	11,360.09	OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017	\$	263,516.88
ABATED	\$	55,555.02	COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION	\$	302,576.03
COLLECTED	\$	1,652,526.40	REFUNDED	\$	2,051.73
OUTSTANDING 6/30/2018	\$	238,568.90	ABATED	\$	25.28
	\$	1,946,650.32	COLLECTED	\$	562,780.20

2017 TRILAKES BETT

OUTSTANDING 06/30/2017	\$	1,873.83	OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	5,339.16
COLLECTED	\$	1,475.21		\$	568,144.64
OUTSTANDING 06/30/2018	\$	398.62			
	\$	1,873.83			

2018 TRI LAKES BETT

COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION	\$	141,856.35	FISCAL 2019 PERS PROP		
REFUNDED	\$	340.25	COMMITTED FOR COLLECTION	\$	318,790.76
TO TAX TITLE	\$	1,361.02	COLLECTED	\$	1,821.95
COLLECTED	\$	136,754.85	OUTSTANDING 6/30/2018	\$	316,968.81
OUTSTANDING 6/30/2018	\$	4,080.73		\$	318,790.76
	\$	142,196.60			

TRI LAKES ASSESSMENT

OUTSTANDING 6/30/2017	\$	977,827.97	TOWN AND TAX COLLECTOR		
COMMITTED INT IN ADVANCE	\$	100.43	JULY 1, 2017- JUNE 30, 2018		
APPORTIONED FY18 RE	\$	137,059.71	TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$	30,811,978.41
COLLECTED	\$	30,345.43	AMBULANCE ACCT	\$	739,884.38
OUTSTANDING 6/30/2018	\$	810,523.26		TOTAL	\$ 31,551,862.79
	\$	977,928.40			

MISCELLANEOUS REC

OUTSTANDING 6/30/2017		54286.31	TAXES, LIENS, EXCISES	\$	30,399,493.62
COMMITTED		37550.61	INTEREST/FEES	\$	166,997.94
ABATED	\$	44,508.77	SCHOLARSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS	\$	3,515.28
COLLECTED	\$	37,785.15	COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT/INT	\$	241,971.57
OUTSTANDING 6/30/2018	\$	9,543.00	AMBULANCE ACCT	\$	739,884.38
	\$	75,497.06		TOTAL	\$ 31,551,862.79

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
LISA M BANNER
TOWN AND TAX COLLECTOR

TOWN CLERK 2018 FINANCIAL REPORT													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD
B-M-D CERTIFIED COPY	770.00	620.00	878.00	1068.00	1280.00	1150.00	830.00	388.00	1038.00	990.00	1450.00	560.00	11022.00
MARRIAGE INTENTIONS	120.00	60.00	30.00	240.00	270.00	330.00	180.00	180.00	120.00	210.00	120.00	90.00	1950.00
BOARD OF APPEALS	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	350.00
BURIAL PERMIT	45.00	45.00	30.00	75.00	75.00	105.00	45.00	0.00	30.00	30.00	90.00	0.00	570.00
BUSINESS REGISTRATION	480.00	600.00	360.00	240.00	240.00	680.00	480.00	320.00	280.00	440.00	120.00	250.00	4490.00
CIVIL DISPOSITION MGL94C	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ONLINE DOG LICENSE	585.00	560.00	508.00	32.00	188.00	55.00	39.00	16.00	32.00	0.00	8.00	1379.00	
ONLINE DOG FINES	0.00	0.00	750.00	40.00	300.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
DOG FINES	0.00	1165.00	2218.00	2860.00	1230.00	1970.00	100.00	330.00	50.00	110.00	0.00	0.00	10033.00
ANIMAL CONTROL FEES	350.00	225.00	80.00	300.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	15.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1170.00
DOG LICENSE	8888.00	5240.00	1869.00	1143.00	544.00	636.00	151.00	154.00	70.00	85.00	144.00	1811.00	20735.00
DOG GIFT FUND	370.00	276.00	377.00	605.00	1792.62	38.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3508.62
FUEL/GAS REGISTRATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	1450.00	150.00	150.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1800.00
HISTORICAL APPLICATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PARKING CITATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
PLANNING BOARD FEE	175.00	817.60	550.00	450.00	525.00	1575.00	125.00	9675.00	50.00	0.00	1250.00	600.00	15792.60
POLE ORDER	30.00	30.00	0.00	30.00	90.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	60.00	0.00	240.00
RAFFLE PERMIT	45.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	30.00	45.00	0.00	15.00	60.00	15.00	0.00	0.00	255.00
STREET LIST BK/DISK	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	40.00	20.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
ZONING/SUBDIVISION BKS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MSC SALES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	256.48	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	306.48
TOTAL	11858.00	9653.60	7665.00	8768.00	7171.10	6934.00	2065.00	11288.00	1750.00	1880.00	3242.00	4690.00	72422.70
Respectfully Submitted,													
Colleen K. Toothill-Berte													
Town Clerk													

TOWN CLERK
2018 VITAL STATISTICS

<u>Births:</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
	Belchertown		1
	Boston		1
	Gardner		1
	Greenfield	1	3
	Holyoke	2	1
	Northampton	13	17
	Springfield	<u>40</u>	<u>37</u>
		56	61

<u>Marriages:</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Belchertown Resident	43	54
Non-Resident	22	17

Married in Belchertown: 33

Married Out-of-Town: 35

<u>Deaths:</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Belchertown Resident	64	58
Non-Resident	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
	66	60

Place of Death:

Amherst	5	Longmeadow	1
Barnstable	1	Newburyport	1
Belchertown	42	Northampton	5
Chicopee	1	Palmer	16
Dedham	1	South Hadley	5
East Longmeadow	1	Springfield	32
Hadley	5	Westfield	1
Hampden	1	Wilbraham	1
Holyoke	5	W. Brookfield	1
		Worcester	1

**ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
BELCHERTOWN
MAY 21, 2018**

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Town Clerk	Colleen K. Toothill-Berte		309	239	328	206	1082
3 year	Blanks		62	59	49	48	218
Vote for one	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	4
	Total		373	299	378	254	1304
Board of Selectmen	Ronald E. Aponte		171	127	202	87	587
3 years	Nicholas J. O'Connor		161	147	187	101	596
Vote for two	Amy T. Clegg		136	94	136	83	449
	Gail Gramarossa		177	136	143	147	603
	Blanks		100	94	88	89	371
	Sundry Write-ins		<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	2
	Total		746	598	756	508	2608
Board of Selectmen	Edward G. Boscher		140	103	131	80	454
1 years	Brian T. Gibbons		65	63	89	62	279
Vote for one	James W. Quirk		125	103	120	72	420
	Blanks		42	29	38	37	146
	Sundry Write-ins		1	1	0	3	5
	Total		373	299	378	254	1304
School Committee	Ruby Bansal		244	189	221	162	816
3 years	Lamikco T Magee		135	96	141	120	492
	Joshua R. Wallace		187	155	189	91	622
Vote for two	Blanks		177	158	202	132	669
	Sundry Write-ins		<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	9
	Total		746	598	756	508	2608
School Committee	Diane O. Brown		291	237	300	199	1027
1 years	Blanks		80	62	74	54	270
Vote for two	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	7
	Total		373	299	378	254	1304
Planning Board	Louis A. Faassen		266	213	274	185	938
5 years	Blanks		104	84	103	69	360
Vote for one	Sundry Write-ins		<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	6
	Total		373	299	378	254	1304
Board of Assessors	Donald L. Minney		270	214	274	179	937
3 years	Blanks		100	83	101	75	359
Vote for one	Sundry Write-ins		<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	9
	Total		373	299	378	254	1305
Board of Health	Roger M. Bonsall		181	148	200	104	633
3 years	Colleen M. Duroshea		123	82	105	93	403
Vote for one	Blanks		68	69	72	57	266
	Sundry Write-ins		<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	2
	Total		373	299	378	254	1304

**ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
BELCHERTOWN
MAY 21, 2018**

<u>Belchertown Registered Voters</u>		<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
		Democrat	675	644	651	782	2752
		Republican	334	390	418	270	1412
		Libertarian	7	12	9	13	41
		Unenrolled	1427	1542	1588	1473	6030
		Other	34	36	28	31	129
		Total	2477	2624	2694	2569	10364
		<u>% Vote Cast</u>					
	12.60%	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
			373	299	378	254	1304
Attest:							
Colleen Toothill-Berte							
Town Clerk							

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State Primary
September 4, 2018**

DEMOCRAT		PRECINCTS				
OFFICE	CANDIDATE NAME	A	B	C	D	TOTAL
Senator in Congress (Vote for One)	Elizabeth A. Warren	274	214	234	380	1102
	Blanks	17	14	27	9	67
	Sundry Write-ins	8	4	6	3	21
	Total	299	232	267	392	1190
Governor (Vote for One)	Jay M. Gonzalez	137	118	126	195	576
	Bob Massie	119	71	76	141	407
	Charles Baker	5	2	7	2	16
	Blanks	37	40	54	53	184
	Sundry Write-ins	1	1	4	1	7
	Total	299	232	267	392	1190
Lieutenant Governor (Vote for One)	Quentin Palfrey	155	131	135	228	649
	Jimmy Tingle	85	52	52	73	262
	Blanks	58	48	78	91	275
	Sundry Write-ins	1	1	2	0	4
	Total	299	232	267	392	1190
Attorney General (Vote for One)	Maura Healey	266	201	235	367	1069
	Blanks	33	30	32	25	120
	Sundry Write-ins	0	1	0	0	1
	Total	299	232	267	392	1190
Secretary of State (Vote for One)	William Francis Galvin	206	165	196	240	807
	Josh Zakim	73	61	58	124	316
	Jo Commerford	0	1	0	0	1
	Blanks	20	5	13	27	65
	Sundry Write-ins	0	0	0	1	1
	Total	299	232	267	392	1190
Treasurer (Vote for One)	Deborah B. Goldberg	252	188	216	329	985
	Blanks	47	43	51	62	203
	Sundry Write-ins	0	1	0	1	2
	Total	299	232	267	392	1190
Auditor (Vote for One)	Suzanne M. Bump	240	188	216	327	971
	Blanks	59	43	49	63	214
	Sundry Write-ins	0	1	2	2	5
	Total	299	232	267	392	1190
Representative in Congress (Vote for One)	James P. McGovern	265	204	224	359	1052
	Blanks	33	27	42	31	133
	Sundry Write-ins	1	1	1	2	5
	Total	299	232	267	392	1190
Councillor (Vote for One)	Mary E. Hurley	249	191	226	332	998
	Blanks	48	40	41	58	187
	Sundry Write-ins	2	1	0	2	5
	Total	299	232	267	392	1190
Senator in General Court (Vote for One)	Eric P. Lesser	266	203	236	337	1042
	Jo Commerford	4	0	1	10	15
	Blanks	28	23	30	44	125
	Sundry Write-ins	1	6	0	1	8
	Total	299	232	267	392	1190

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Representative in General Court		Prec. A	A				
(Vote for One)	John William Arena		230				230
	Jo Commerford		2				2
	Blanks		67				67
	Sundry Write-ins		0				0
	Total		299				299
Representative in General Court		Prec. B,C, & D		B	C	D	Total
(Vote for One)	Thomas M. Petrolati		186	219	316		721
	Blanks		43	46	73		162
	Sundry Write-ins		3	2	3		8
	Total		232	267	392		891
District Attorney							
(Vote for One)	David E. Sullivan		246	186	217	336	985
	Blanks		53	45	48	54	200
	Sundry Write-ins		0	1	2	2	5
	Total		299	232	267	392	1190
<u>DEMOCRAT</u>			<u>PRECINCTS</u>				
			<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Clerk of Courts	Harry J. Jekanowski, Jr		239	180	210	318	947
(Vote for One)	Blanks		60	51	55	74	240
	Sundry Write-ins		0	1	2	0	3
	Total		299	232	267	392	1190
Register of Deeds	Mary K. Oberding		253	196	221	331	1001
(Vote for One)	Blanks		46	35	45	60	186
	Sundry Write-ins		0	1	1	1	3
	Total		299	232	267	392	1190
<u>REPUBLICAN</u>			<u>PRECINCTS</u>				
<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>CANDIDATE NAME</u>		A	B	C	D	<u>TOTAL</u>
Senator in Congress	Geoff Diehl		50	53	67	54	224
(Vote for One)	John Kingston		35	43	57	40	175
	Beth Joyce Lindstrom		17	19	18	15	69
	Blanks		12	10	13	7	42
	Sundry Write-ins		0	0	2	0	2
	Total		114	125	157	116	512
Governor	Charles D. Baker		70	74	98	77	319
(Vote for One)	Scott D. Lively		43	50	59	39	191
	Blanks		1	1	0	0	2
	Sundry Write-ins		0	0	0	0	0
	Total		114	125	157	116	512
Lieutenant Governor	Karen E. Polito		86	93	120	86	385
(Vote for One)	Blanks		26	32	37	27	122
	Sundry Write-ins		2	0	0	3	5
	Total		114	125	157	116	512
Attorney General	James R. McMahon, III		60	66	75	58	259
(Vote for One)	Daniel L. Shores		35	44	53	36	168
	Blanks		18	15	28	21	82
	Sundry Write-ins		1	0	1	1	3

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	Total	114	125	157	116	512
Secretary of State	Anthony M. Amore	75	87	104	79	345
(Vote for One)	Blanks	38	38	50	35	161
	Sundry Write-ins	1	0	3	2	6
	Total	114	125	157	116	512
Treasurer	Keiko M. Orrall	74	83	102	76	335
(Vote for One)	Blanks	38	42	55	40	175
	Sundry Write-ins	2	0	0	0	2
	Total	114	125	157	116	512
Auditor						
(Vote for One)	Helen Brady	71	83	100	72	326
	Blanks	42	42	57	43	184
	Sundry Write-ins	1	0	0	1	2
	Total	114	125	157	116	512
Representative in Congress						
(Vote for One)	Tracy Lyn Lovvorn	44	52	60	49	205
	Kevin William Powers	44	54	58	40	196
	Blanks	25	19	39	26	109
	Sundry Write-ins	1	0	0	1	2
	Total	114	125	157	116	512
Councillor						
(Vote for One)	Blanks	99	111	131	115	456
	Sundry Write-ins	15	14	26	1	56
	Total	114	125	157	116	512
Senator in General Court						
(Vote for One)	Blanks	99	114	132	114	459
	Sundry Write-ins	15	11	25	2	53
	Total	114	125	157	116	512
	Prec. A	A				
Representative in General Court	Blanks	101				101
(Vote for One)	Sundry Write-ins	13				13
		114				114
REPUBLICAN						
Representative in General Court	Prec. B,C, & D	PRECINCTS				
(Vote for One)		B	C	D	Total	
	Blanks	116	157	114	387	
	Sundry Write-ins	9	0	2	11	
	Total	125	157	116	398	
District Attorney		A	B	C	D	TOTAL
(Vote for One)	Blanks	104	116	157	113	490
	Sundry Write-ins	10	9	0	3	22
	Total	114	125	157	116	512
Clerk of Courts						
(Vote for One)	Blanks	105	116	157	115	493
	Sundry Write-ins	9	9	0	1	19
	Total	114	125	157	116	512
Register of Deeds						
(Vote for One)	Blanks	106	118	156	114	494
	Sundry Write-ins	8	7	1	2	18
	Total	114	125	157	116	512

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LIBERTARIAN								
OFFICE	CANDIDATE NAME		A	B	C	D	TOTAL	
Senator in Congress (Vote for One)	Blanks		0	0	0	1	1	
	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>	
	Total		2	0	2	1	5	
Governor (Vote for One)	Blanks		0	0	0	1	1	
	Sundry Write-ins		2	0	2	0	4	
	Total		2	0	2	1	5	
Lieutenant Governor (Vote for One)	Blanks		0	0	2	1	3	
	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	
	Total		2	0	2	1	5	
Attorney General (Vote for One)	Blanks		0	0	1	1	2	
	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	
	Total		2	0	2	1	5	
Secretary of State (Vote for One)	Blanks		0	0	2	1	3	
	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	
	Total		2	0	2	1	5	
Treasurer (Vote for One)	Blanks		0	0	2	1	3	
	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	
	Total		2	0	2	1	5	
Auditor (Vote for One)	Daniel Fishman		0	0	0	0	0	
	Blanks		0	0	2	1	3	
	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	
	Total		2	0	2	1	5	
Representative in Congress (Vote for One)	Blanks		0	0	2	1	3	
	Sundry Write-ins		2	0	0	0	2	
	Total		2	0	2	1	5	
Councillor (Vote for One)			A	B	C	D	TOTAL	
	Blanks		0	0	2	1	3	
	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	
	Total		2	0	2	1	5	
Senator in General Court (Vote for One)	Blanks		0	0	2	1	3	
	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	
	Total		2	0	2	1	5	
Representative in General Court (Vote for One)		Prec. A	A					
	Blanks		0				0	
	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>				<u>2</u>	
	Total		2				2	
Representative in General Court (Vote for One)		Prec. B-D		B	C	D	Total	
	Blanks			0	2	1	3	
	Sundry Write-ins			<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
	Total			0	2	1	3	
LIBERTARIAN			PRECINCTS					

**Belchertown, MA
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September 4, 2018**

OFFICE	CANDIDATE NAME		A	B	C	D	TOTAL
District Attorney	Blanks		0	0	2	1	3
(Vote for One)	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
	Total		2	0	2	1	5
Clerk of Courts	Blanks		0	0	2	1	3
(Vote for One)	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
	Total		2	0	2	1	5
Register of Deeds	Blanks		0	0	2	1	3
(Vote for One)	Sundry Write-ins		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
	Total		2	0	2	1	5
Belchertown Registered Voters							
		PRECINCT	A	B	C	D	TOTAL
		Democrat	674	623	646	780	2723
		Republican	336	388	416	261	1401
		Libertarian	6	15	9	14	44
		Unenrolled	1436	1543	1598	1467	6044
		Other	<u>33</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>124</u>
		TOTALS	2521	2603	2733	2566	10423
	Voted on 9/4/2018	PRECINCT	A	B	C	D	TOTAL
	16.4% Voted	Democrat	299	232	267	392	1190
		Republican	114	125	157	116	512
		Libertarian	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>
		TOTALS	415	357	426	509	1707
Attest:							
Colleen Toothill-Berte							
Town Clerk							

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<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>CANDIDATE NAME</u>	<u>PRECINCTS</u>				<u>TOTAL</u>
		<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	
Senator in Congress (Vote for One)	Elizabeth A. Warren	1039	908	954	1172	4073
	Geoff Diehl	615	726	806	509	2656
	Shiva Ayyadurai	93	73	67	78	311
	Blanks	21	14	27	9	71
	Sundry Write-ins	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114
Governor (Vote for One)	Baker and Polito	1128	1187	1343	1008	4666
	Gonzalez and Palfrey	606	484	438	721	2249
	Blanks	33	51	69	36	189
	Sundry Write-ins	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>10</u>
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114
Attorney General (Vote for One)	Maura Healey	1167	1044	1103	1289	4603
	James R. McMahon, III	561	641	707	459	2368
	Blanks	39	38	44	20	141
	Sundry Write-ins	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114
Secretary of State (Vote for One)	William Francis Galvin	1168	1073	1142	1234	4617
	Anthony M. Amore	457	522	603	377	1959
	Juan G. Sanchez, Jr.	81	78	48	111	318
	Blanks	62	49	62	46	219
	Sundry Write-ins	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114
Treasurer (Vote for One)	Deborah B. Goldberg	1067	976	1041	1167	4251
	Keiko M. Orrall	487	557	639	403	2086
	Jamie M. Guerin	126	117	94	134	471
	Blanks	88	73	81	64	306
	Sundry Write-ins	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114
Auditor (Vote for One)	Suzanne M. Bump	1013	920	986	1107	4026
	Helen Brady	483	565	656	413	2117
	Daniel Fishman	63	68	43	50	224
	Edward J. Stamas	111	86	71	124	392
	Blanks	98	84	99	74	355
	Sundry Write-ins	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114
Representative in Congress (Vote for One)	James P. McGovern	1164	1038	1108	1284	4594
	Tracy Lyn Lovvorn	553	624	694	454	2325
	Blanks	50	60	53	29	192
	Sundry Write-ins	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114
Councillor (Vote for One) (Vote for One)	Mary E. Hurley	1138	1032	1130	1209	4509
	Mike Franco	495	561	571	443	2070
	Blanks	132	129	152	114	527

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	Sundry Write-ins	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>8</u>
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114
Senator in General Court	Eric P. Lesser	1371	1317	1411	1447	5546
(Vote for One)	Blanks	391	377	433	313	1514
	Sundry Write-ins	<u>6</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>54</u>
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114
Representative in General Court	Prec. A	A				
(Vote for One)	Susannah M. Whipps	876				876
	John William Arena	691				691
	Thomas Petrolati	11				11
	Blanks	188				188
	Sundry Write-ins	<u>2</u>				<u>2</u>
	Total	1768				1768
Representative in General Court	Prec. B,C, & D	B	C	D	Total	
(Vote for One)	Thomas M. Petrolati	1303	1386	1390	4079	
	Blanks	415	463	365	1243	
	Sundry Write-ins	5	6	13	24	
	Total	1723	1855	1768	5346	
District Attorney						
(Vote for One)	David E. Sullivan	1341	1296	1375	1401	5413
	Blanks	423	422	476	356	1677
	Sundry Write-ins	4	5	4	7	<u>20</u>
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1764	7110
Clerk of Courts		A	B	C	D	TOTAL
(Vote for One)	Harry J. Jekanowski, Jr	1325	1288	1365	1389	5367
	Blanks	439	430	486	370	1725
	Sundry Write-ins	4	5	4	9	22
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114
Register of Deeds						
(Vote for One)	Mary K. Olberding	1340	1307	1385	1405	5437
	Blanks	424	412	464	355	1655
	Sundry Write-ins	4	4	6	8	22
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114
Regional School Committee-Belchertown						
(Vote for One)	Lorraine F. Alves	1301	1293	1349	1252	5195
	Blanks	464	428	504	516	1912
	Sundry Write-ins	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	7
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114
Regional School Committee- Granby						
(Vote for One)	William E. Johnson	1177	1188	1235	1162	4762
	Blanks	589	533	619	606	2347
	Sundry Write-ins	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	5
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114

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Regional School Committee-Hardwick

(Vote for One)	Julie Quink	1151	1166	1207	1125	4649
	Blanks	616	556	647	643	2462
	Sundry Write-ins	1	1	1	0	3
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114

Regional School Committee-Monson

(Vote for One)	Kathleen Barrett	1140	1152	1195	1104	4591
	Blanks	627	570	660	662	2519
	Sundry Write-ins	1	1	0	2	4
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114

Regional School Committee- Palmer

(Vote for One)	Michael J. Cavanaugh	1142	1159	1184	1097	4582
	Blanks	624	562	670	671	2527
	Sundry Write-ins	2	2	1	0	5
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114

Regional School Committee-Braintree

(Vote for One)		<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>Total</u>
	Blanks	1749	1707	1850	1757	7063
	Sundry Write-ins					
	Marc Barney	1				1
	John Socha	1				1
	Dave Pinack	1				1
	Marc Solomon	1				1
	Shane Stafford	3	1			4
	Jane Tredell	1				1
	Harley Withers	1				1
	Diane Brown	1		1		2
	Charles Mazoch	1				1
	Rhonda Young	1				1
	Charlene Forgue	1				1
	Steve Carell	1				1
	Bob Fortunato	1				1
	Loving Cancy	1				1

Regional School Committee-Braintree

	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>Total</u>
Medina Richey	1				1
Stephen Connors	1				1
Peterson T. Jackson	1				1
Nilton Rosa		1			1
Erick Keller		1			1
Acacio Alves		1			1
Peter Fritz		1			1
Crystal Duvey		1			1
Alex Hoffman		1			1
Cassie Fitzpatrick		1			1
Bradley P. Smith		1			1
Ryan Rege		1			1
Beth Cohen		1			1
Han Mueller		1			1
Larry Lucas		1			1
Mike Himes		1			1
Han Mueller		1			1

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Elane Stafford	1				
Marie Barbara Ray		1			1
James Quirk		1			1
Laurie M. O'Shea		1			1
Chris Higgins		1			1
Esteban Sandoval			1		1
Debby Stebel			1		1
Bob Jones			1		1
Kristin Balboni			1		1
Jim Dunn			1		1
Jason Menard			1		1
Daniel Myers			1		1
Peter Brown			1		1
Walter Henry, Jr.			1		1
Linda Chalfant			1		1
Jason Carlson			1		1
Sundry Write-ins Total	<u>19</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>50</u>
Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114

Regional School Committee-Ware

(Vote for One)	Marie Barbara Ray	1090	1125	1155	1061	4431
	Blanks	676	596	700	701	2673
	Sundry Write-ins	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6</u>	10
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114

Question 1

		<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
This proposed law would limit how many patients could be assigned to a nurse in MA. hospitals & certain other health care facilities. The maximum number of patients per registered nurse would vary by the type of unit and level of care.	YES	654	552	569	686	2461
	NO	1071	1116	1250	1000	4437
	BLANKS	<u>43</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>82</u>	216
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114

Question 2

This proposed law would create a citizens commission to consider and recommend potential amendments to the United States Constitution to establish that corporations do not have the same Constitutional rights as human beings and that campaign contributions & expenditures can be regulated.	YES	1280	1166	1237	1334	5017
	NO	412	471	548	348	1779
	BLANKS	<u>76</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>86</u>	318
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114

Question 3

This law adds gender identity to the list of prohibited grounds for discrimination in places of public accommodation, resort, or amusement	YES	1220	1080	1168	1283	4751
	NO	497	568	648	414	2127
	BLANKS	<u>51</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>71</u>	236
	Total	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114

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Belchertown Registered Voters

PRECINCT	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	C	<u>D</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Democrat	697	637	659	801	2794
Republican	341	389	425	262	1417
Libertarian	8	16	7	15	46
Unenrolled	1481	1597	1633	1503	6214
Other	<u>33</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>126</u>
TOTALS	2560	2674	2755	2608	10597

% Voted	PRECINCT	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
67.10%	TOTALS	1768	1723	1855	1768	7114

Attest:

Colleen Toothill-Berte
Town Clerk



Actions taken at the Special Town Meeting held May 14, 2018 at the Belchertown High School Veterans' Auditorium
FY18

Moderator – Joseph Bernard

Meeting called to order 7:09pm

Registered voters present – 291 (Quorum requires 75)

The Clerk read the Warrant

Article 1 Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement to lease/purchase and equip Fire/Rescue ambulance pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.44, §21C for a period in excess of three years, and to fund the first year payment of such agreement with the amounts as appropriated in Line 3 of the Town Budget as voted pursuant to Article 9 at the May 8, 2017 Annual Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0- Yes) (Vote – 2/3rd Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 2 Voted to transfer the sums of money as outlined below:

TRANSFER FROM	AMOUNT	TO
Veterans' Benefits	\$24,000.00	Health Insurance-Town Share
Injured on Duty	\$4,000.00	Animal Control Wage
Free Cash	\$88,691.00	Snow & Ice
General Insurance	\$3,699.00	Snow & Ice
Library Wage	\$2,700.00	Library Expense
Workers' Comp	\$2,746.00	Conservation Salary
Injured on Duty	\$1,000.00	Treasurer Wage
Highway Wage	\$1,000.00	Freedom Center
Highway Wage	\$2,000.00	Family Ctr Bldg./Franklin
Highway Wage	\$500.00	Recreation Bldg.
Highway Wage	\$2,500.00	Tadgell – MEMA Bldg.
Highway Wage	\$6,500.00	Sr. Center Building
Highway Wage	\$2,500.00	Town Garage
Police Salary	\$4,500.00	Unemployment

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote - Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 3 Voted to appropriate from free cash in the treasury the sum of \$300,000 to the Stabilization Fund.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Meeting adjourned at 7:12PM

Attest:

Colleen K. Toothill-Berte
Town Clerk



**CERTIFICATION OF APPROPRIATIONS
TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING HELD May 14, 2018
FY17**

ARTICLE #	TOTAL APPROPRIATION	FROM OTHER AVAILABLE FUNDS
1	None	
2	\$146,336.00	\$24,000 from Veterans' Benefits to Health Insurance-Town Share; \$4,000 from Injured on Duty to Animal Control Wage; \$88,691 from Free Cash to Snow & Ice; \$3,699 from General Insurance to Snow & Ice; \$2,700 from Library Wage to Library Expense; \$2,746 from Workers' Comp to Conservation Salary; \$1,000 from Injured on Duty to Treasurer Wage; \$1,000 from Highway Wage to Freedom Center; \$2,000 from Highway Wage to Family Center Bldg/Franklin; \$500.00 from Highway Wage to Recreation Bldg., \$2,500 from Highway Wage to Tadgell _ MEMA Bldg; \$6,500 from Highway wage to Sr. Center Bldg.; \$2,500 from Highway Wage to Town Garage; \$4,500 from Police Salary to Unemployment.
3	\$300,000.00	\$300,000 from Free Cash to Stabilization Fund.
TOTAL	\$446,336.00	\$446,336.00

Attest:
Colleen K. Toothill-Berte
Town Clerk



Actions taken at the Annual Town Meeting held May 14, 2018 at the Belchertown High School Veterans' Auditorium
FY19

Moderator – Joseph Bernard

Meeting called to order 7:30pm

Registered voters present 291 – (Quorum requires 75)

The Clerk read the Warrant

Raymond J. Janke, III, Veterans' Agent, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and the National Anthem was sung by Thomas Stockton

Selectman Archie Archibole presented the Citizen of the Year Award to Vince Viglione.

Selectman Ronald Aponte presented the Volunteer of the Year Award to Belchertown EDIC.

Selectman Nick O'Connor presented the Employee of the Year Award to Anna Fenton.

Selectman Brenda Aldrich gave special recognition to William Barnett.

Article 1 Voted to elect Paul Anziano and Linda Tsoumas as Almoners of the Whiting Street and Mrs. Susan M.D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year; and Kenneth H. Snow for a three year term as Trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund.

(Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 2 Voted to accept the reports of the officers of the Town with the exception of the Finance Committee.

(Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 3 Voted to authorize the Assessors and the Board of Health members to appoint themselves to work in their various departments for the ensuing fiscal year, at the following hourly rates:

- Assessors \$17.50
- Board of Health Members \$ 7.25

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 4 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to be used by the Assessors for legal counsel in resolving tax cases.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 5 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 to the Reserve Fund for use by the Finance Committee.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 6 Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and accept funds from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Highway Improvement Program or any other state grant program for use on approved town ways.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 7 Voted to appropriate from the Sale of Cemetery Lots Account the sum of \$5,000.00 to the Cemetery Lot Development Account.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 8 Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for Massachusetts Small Cities Program or other Federal or State monies and to expend any monies received as set forth in the application following a public hearing.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 9 Voted to fix the salaries and compensation of all elected officers of the Town, as provided for by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended; to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds in the Treasury for departmental and incidental expenses of the Town for the ensuing fiscal year; and that the various major categories of the budget as contained in the Finance Committee's report be considered separately and acted upon; and further that these sums of money granted and appropriated for the several specific purposes therein designated, be expended only for those purposes as specifically designated and under the direction of the respective officers, boards and committees of the Town.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,049,949.00 and appropriate from Wetlands Hearings Fees Account the sum of \$5,000.00 to the Conservation Commission Salary Account, for a total appropriation of \$2,054,949.00 for General Government, each item and amount recommended in the Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,388,856.00 and appropriate the sum of \$900,000 from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account, for a total appropriation of \$4,288,856.00 for Public Safety, each item and amount recommended in the Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,817,820.00 and appropriate from free cash in the Treasury the sum of \$352,344.00, for a total appropriation of \$29,170,164.00 for the Town School Department, each item and amount recommended in the Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,416,004.00 for the Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District, each item and amount recommended in the Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,907,059.00 for the DPW-Highway, each item and amount recommended in the Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Voted to appropriate from Landfill receipts the sum of \$283,750.00 and appropriate from Landfill Enterprise free cash in the Treasury the sum of \$32,777.00, for a total appropriation of \$316,527.00 to the Landfill Enterprise Fund, each item and amount recommended in the

Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Voted to appropriate from Sewer Enterprise free cash in the Treasury the sum of \$279,671.00, and appropriate from Sewer receipts the sum of \$1,609,435.00, for a total appropriation of \$1,889,106.00, to the Sewer Enterprise Fund, each item and amount recommended in the Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$955,194.00 for the Human Services Departments, each item and amount recommended in the Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$823,960.00 for Culture and Recreation Departments, each item and amount recommended in the Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$776,200.00 for DPW Buildings and Grounds Departments, each item and amount recommended in the Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,289,728.00, and appropriate from free cash in the Treasury the sum of \$352,344.00, for a total appropriation of \$4,642,072.00 to the Pensions and Insurance Accounts, each item and amount recommended in the Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$59,498.00 to the Unclassified Accounts, each item and amount recommended in the Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,422,500.00 for the Interest and Debt Accounts, each item and amount recommended in the Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,750.00 for Hampshire Council of Governments, each item and amount recommended in the Finance Committee's report being considered as a separate appropriation voted by Town Meeting.

Motion made and seconded to replace the amount \$3,750.00 to \$1.00.

(Vote on amendment – Majority Required – Majority – No)

(Original motion endorsed by Finance Committee 4-1-0 Yes)

(Vote on original motion – Majority Required - Majority Yes)

Article 10

Voted to approve the spending limits set forth below (amending the original chart in the Annual Town Meeting Warrant so that the annual spending limit for the Pool Programs is \$125,000 and annual spending limit for the Tween & Up Programs is \$25,000, which figures were inadvertently transposed in the article) for each of the Town's revolving funds pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 and Chapter 94 – Revolving Funds (94-1 Establishment/94-2 Expenditures) of the Town's General By-Laws, which funds may be expended without further appropriation for the purposes defined therein, with such expenditure limits to be applicable for each fiscal year until such time as Town meeting votes, prior to July 1 for the ensuing fiscal year, to increase the same; provided, however, that in accordance with state law, the Board of Selectmen, with the approval of the Finance committee, may increase the limit for that fiscal year only.

Program or Purpose	Spending Limit
Senior Center Transportation Program	\$10,000
Council on Aging Programs	\$10,000
Firefighters' Protective Clothing & Equipment Purchase	\$10,000
Town Beach Concession	\$15,000
Operating Town Beach	\$50,000
Pool Programs	\$125,000
Tween and up Programs	\$25,000
Witnessing and Documenting Percolation Tests	\$15,000
Police Department Technology Fund	\$15,000
Transportation of pupils in Grades 7-12	\$150,000

(Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 11

Voted to amend the Code of Belchertown, Chapter 91, Personnel, as previously amended, in the following prescribed manner:

- In Section 91-5. Hours of Work; Overtime in subsection B (1) and (3):
 - Change the words "Thursday through Wednesday" to "Friday through Thursday".
- In Chapter 91, *Attachment 1, Appendix A, Town Classification-Compensation Plan*:
 - Replace Management, Administrative or Professional Exempt chart with new chart as follows:

Effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019

Director of Public Works	\$89,076 - \$113,710
Fire Chief	\$89,076 - \$113,710
Police Lieutenant	\$78,030 - \$ 90,246

Director of Information Technology	\$74,230 - \$ 94,758
Town Planner	\$74,230 - \$ 94,758
Town Treasurer-Collector	\$70,695 - \$ 90,246
Town Accountant	\$70,695 - \$ 90,246
Building Commissioner	\$70,695 - \$ 90,246
Director of Assessments	\$70,695 - \$ 90,246
Conservation Administrator	\$67,976 - \$ 86,775
Council on Aging Executive Director	\$67,976 - \$ 86,775
Director of Parks & Recreation	\$67,976 - \$ 86,775
Veterans' Agent	\$65,362 - \$ 83,438

- Under Classified Nonexempt Employees:
 - Remove: Administrative Secretary to Chief of Police/Dispatch Supervisor, Grade 6;
 - Add: Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Police/Communications Center Director, Grade 7;
 - Insert: "Part-Time" in front of the Firefighter/Paramedic title.
- In Chapter 91 *Attachment 2*, Appendix B – Weekly Salary Schedule for Classified Employees:
 - Remove the compensation chart effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, and insert the following chart:

Effective July 1, 2018 to end June 30, 2019

Grade	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7	Step 8	Step 9	Step 10
1	11.64	11.96	12.28	12.61	12.96	13.33	13.69	14.06	14.45	14.85
2	15.12	15.54	15.97	16.41	16.86	17.32	17.80	18.28	18.79	19.31
3	17.39	17.87	18.36	18.87	19.39	19.92	20.47	21.03	21.61	22.20
4	19.99	20.54	21.11	21.69	22.29	22.91	23.55	24.18	24.85	25.52
5	22.01	22.60	23.23	23.87	24.51	25.20	25.89	26.59	27.35	28.09
6	24.21	24.86	25.54	26.26	26.98	27.71	28.48	29.26	30.06	30.89
7	26.62	27.36	28.10	28.88	29.67	30.48	31.33	32.18	33.07	33.99
8	27.69	28.45	29.23	30.02	30.86	31.71	32.58	33.48	34.39	35.34
9	28.79	29.60	30.39	31.24	32.09	32.98	33.88	34.81	35.77	36.76
10	30.81	31.65	32.53	33.43	34.33	35.29	36.26	37.25	38.28	39.33

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Majority Yes)

Article 12 Voted to appropriate from free cash in the Treasury the sum of \$50,000 to the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Liability Trust Fund.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 13 Voted to withdraw from the Hampshire Council of Governments, the effective date of said withdrawal to be July 1, 2019, and to acknowledge, pursuant to the Administrative Code of the Legislative, Charter & Code Committee of the Hampshire Council of Governments, that all obligations of the Town of Belchertown to the Hampshire Council of Governments will be met up until said effective date, and that the Town of Belchertown's allocable share of the fiscal obligations of said Council will remain a responsibility of the Town.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 4-0-1 Yes)

After much discussion a motion was made and seconded to move the motion.

(Vote to move the motion– Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

(Vote on Article – Majority Required – Majority Yes)
Hand count by seven voters was requested.
 (Final Vote – Majority Required – 212 Yes 62 No – Majority Yes)

Article 14 Voted the following amounts are appropriated to fund the capital projects set forth below, including all costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow such amounts under Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any other enabling authority; that any premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount; and that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out these projects:

<u>Item #</u>		<u>Amount</u>
	<u>Vehicles – purchase and equip</u>	
1.	Fire Dept. Truck	\$545,000
2.	DPW Truck	\$225,000
	<u>Equipment</u>	
3.	Fire Dept. Breathing Apparatus	\$250,000
4.	DPW Tractor/Mower	\$100,000
	<u>Buildings/Grounds</u>	
5.	School Dept. Boiler (Swift River), purchase and install	\$82,000
6.	School Dept. Boiler (BHS), purchase and install	\$110,000
7.	School Dept. Cooling Tower (CHCS), purchase and install	\$100,000
8.	DPW – Town Hall Parking Lot Reconstruction	\$290,000
9.	DPW – Town Beach Parking Lot Reconstruction	\$50,000
10.	School Dept. Oil Tank Removal and Disposal	\$263,000
11.	School Dept. Outdoor Track Resurfacing (BHS)	\$110,000
12.	Police Dept. Roof Repair	<u>\$35,000</u>
Total:		\$2,160,000

Motion made and seconded to replace the word “Gym” with “Outdoor” in number 11.
 Moderator indicated it would be accepted as a Scribner’s error and will be changed on article,
 no vote needed.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – 2/3rd Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 15 Voted to appropriate from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$263,000.00 to be used by the School Department for underground storage tank removal and replacement at Chestnut Hill Community School.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – 2/3rd Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 16 Voted to appropriate from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$35,000.00 for the replacement of the roof at the Belchertown Police Department building, including but not limited to removal and disposal of the existing roof, the installation of a new roof and anything incidental and related thereto.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – 2/3rd Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 17 Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement to lease/purchase and equip Department of Public Works vehicles pursuant to the provisions of L.G. c.44, §.21C for a period in excess of three years, and to fund the first year payment of such agreement with the amounts appropriated in Line 6 of the Town Budget as voted pursuant to Article 9 at this May 14, 2018 Annual Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – 2/3rd Required – 2/3rd Yes)

Article 18 Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement to lease/purchase and equip Fire-Rescue vehicles pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.44, §.21C for a period in excess of three years, and to fund the first year payment of such agreement with the amounts appropriated in Line 3 of the Town Budget as voted pursuant to Article 9 at this May 14, 2018 Annual Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – 2/3rd Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 19 Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement to lease/purchase and equip Police Department vehicles pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.44, §.21C for a period in excess of three years, and to fund the first year payment of such agreement with the amounts appropriated in Line 3 of the Town Budget as voted pursuant to Article 9 at this May 14, 2018 Annual Town Meeting.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – 2/3rd Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 20 Voted to appropriate from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund the sum of \$90,000.00 to be used for operations, and the sum of \$125,000.00 to be used for equipment and capital projects of the Belchertown Community Channel for the ensuing fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Motion made and seconded to move Article 47 to between Articles 20 and 21.

(Vote – Majority Required – Majority Yes)

Article 47 *Citizens Petition* - Voted to provide matching funds \$4,000.00 annually for the Belchertown Cultural Council (BCC) for the purpose of providing engaging arts & cultural programming for the Belchertown community. In 2017, the BCC received \$5,500 from the state to be allocated according to the guidelines put forth by the Massachusetts Cultural Council and has used these funds towards programming offered by the town schools, library, family and senior center among others. The BCC would like to provide additional opportunities for the community among these our now annual Food Truck Fridays on the common, town wide Art Walk and other culturally diverse events designed to help drive the economic engine of our town.

(Motion made and seconded to amend petition to say "funds to come from free cash")
(Vote on Amendment – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

(Not endorsed by Finance Committee 0-4-1 No) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 21 Voted to amend Section 145-5 of the Zoning By-Law, Zoning Map, by changing the parcel identified on the Town Assessors' Map as Map 205 Parcel 62 from B2, General Business, to B1, Limited Business, entirely.

(Not Endorsed by Planning Board 0-5-0 No) (Vote – 2/3rd Required – 2/3rd No)

Article 22 Voted to amend Section 145-29.1 of the Zoning By-Law relative to Accessory Apartments: by deleting the existing definition of Accessory Apartments within Chapter 145, Section 145-2 and substituting the following new definition of Accessory Apartments:

Changes are in italics.

Definition of Accessory Apartments within chapter 145, §145-2:

Accessory Apartments

An accessory apartment is an ancillary dwelling unit complete with its own sleeping, cooking and sanitary facilities that is smaller than the principal dwelling unit and presents itself in a manner such that the primary residential structure appears to be the sole dwelling unit on the lot.

Replace §145-29.1

Accessory Apartments

A. GENERAL OBJECTIVES

The provision of accessory apartments is intended to:

- (1) Provide housing options for residents who cannot afford, or who do not desire, a single-unit house with land, for example, young adults and senior citizens; and
- (2) Provide older owners with a means of obtaining rental income, companionship, security and services, and thereby enable them to stay more comfortably in houses and neighborhoods they might otherwise be forced to leave;
- (3) Encourage a more economic and energy-efficient use of the town's housing supply while maintaining the appearance and character of the town's residential neighborhoods;
- (4) Protect the stability, property values, and the single-unit residential character of a neighborhood by ensuring that accessory apartments are installed only *on owner-occupied lots* and are properly permitted and inspected;
- (5) Add moderately-priced rental units to the housing stock to meet the needs of smaller households and make housing units available to moderate income households who might otherwise have difficulty finding housing;
- (6) To provide housing units for persons with disabilities.

B. PROCEDURE

The Planning Board may issue a special permit for one apartment accessory to the use of a single-unit dwelling, provided each of the following conditions is met:

- (1) There shall be no more than one accessory apartment on an individual parcel of land, regardless of the parcel's area;

- (2) The owner of the residence in which the accessory unit is created must continue to occupy at least one of the dwelling units as his or her primary residence. The special permit for the accessory apartment may be revoked by the Planning Board if the owner no longer occupies one of the dwelling units;
- (3) Up to 33 percent of the gross floor area of the main dwelling, not to exceed 600 square feet maximum gross floor area, may be permitted for the accessory apartment; to provide for development of housing units for disabled individuals, the Planning Board may allow reasonable deviation from the stated conditions when necessary to install features that facilitate access and mobility for disabled persons.
- (4) The accessory apartment shall have only one bedroom;
- (5) There is no outward evidence that the premises are being used for more than one residential unit. That is:
 - a. All stairways to apartments should be enclosed within the exterior walls of the dwelling. Otherwise, they must not be apparent from the street.
 - b. Any new entrance shall be located on the side or in the rear of the dwelling *or accessory building*.
 - c. Where there are two or more existing entrances on the front facade of a dwelling, if modifications are made to any entrance, the result shall be that one entrance appears more prominent than the others.
 - d. The accessory apartment must use the same driveway as the main dwelling unit;
- (6) The accessory apartment must have the same street address as the main dwelling unit, but with the designation "A" for the apartment, for example, if the house is #123, the accessory apartment would be number 123A.
- (7) Accessory apartments are allowed only in the AG-A, AG-B, LR, and VR zones, and only with a special permit from the Planning Board.
- (8) Special permits issued under this section shall specify that the owner must occupy one of the dwelling units. Prior to the occupancy of the accessory apartment, the special permit must be recorded in the Hampshire Registry of Deeds or Land Court, as appropriate, in the chain of title to the property, with documentation of the recording provided to the Building Inspector/Zoning Enforcement Officer. *This special permit requires the applicant to demonstrate to the special permit granting authority that §145-69 is satisfied.*
- (9) When there is a transfer of ownership of a property with a permitted accessory apartment, the new owner may apply for transfer of the accessory apartment special permit by submitting a notarized letter of application stating that the new owner shall occupy one of the dwelling units on the premises. In extenuating circumstances of transfer, such as, but not limited to, inheritance, bankruptcy, or foreclosure, the owner may request the Planning Board modify the owner-occupancy requirement to allow reasonable time to establish occupancy. The period of owner non-residency will not exceed one year. During the non-residency period, the owner shall not be allowed to rent both units.
- (10) Prior to issuance of an accessory apartment special permit, a floor plan must be submitted showing the building, including proposed interior and exterior changes to the building.
- (11) *The applicant must demonstrate in writing that the Special Permit requirements of 145-69, with specific emphasis on A (1) (a, b, c), have been met.*

C. APARTMENTS CREATED BEFORE THE ADOPTION OF THIS BYLAW

To ensure that accessory apartments in existence before the adoption of this bylaw comply with the Massachusetts building code:

- (1) Apartments that lawfully existed before the adoption of this bylaw, but do not strictly conform to the terms of this bylaw, are exempt from the terms of this bylaw for the life of the current special permit.
- (2) The Planning Board may authorize, under a special permit and in conjunction with the building inspector, an accessory apartment in an owner-occupied single-unit dwelling. The board shall review each existing apartment on its individual merits to determine if the dwelling conforms to the Massachusetts building code. The applicant must follow the same procedure described in this bylaw, including the submission of a notarized letter declaring owner-occupancy.
- (3) *If an accessory apartment special permit expires, a new application for a special permit is required and shall conform to the bylaw as exists at the time of new application.*

- (4) *The Planning Board may authorize a special permit for an apartment that existed prior to May 12, 2014, which may or may not conform to this standard, upon a finding that it is the best interests of the community to recognize the current use.*

D. ACCESSORY APARTMENT IN ACCESSORY STRUCTURE

Consistent with the definition of accessory structure in §145-2 of this by-law, the planning board may grant a special permit to allow the construction of an accessory apartment in an existing accessory structure which is on the same lot as an existing single-unit dwelling provided:

- (1) the lot has an area of at least 20,000 square feet in the VR district and at least 40,000 square feet in the AG-A, AG-B, and LR districts;*
- (2) the setbacks of the accessory structure meet the setback requirements of a primary dwelling in the subject zone;*
- (3) the accessory structure is no more than 75 feet from the primary dwelling with clear line of sight between the primary dwelling and the accessory structure;*
- (4) the accessory apartment must meet all requirements of §145-29.1B except the percentage of gross floor area;*
- (5) the accessory apartment has not more than 600, square feet of gross floor area; to provide for development of housing units for disabled individuals, the Planning Board may allow reasonable deviation from the stated conditions when necessary to install features that facilitate access and mobility for disabled persons. The gross floor area for the accessory apartment shall not include floor area used for any other permitted accessory use or floor area designed, intended, or used for required off-street parking to serve the principal dwelling;*
- (6) not more than one accessory structure on the lot may have a accessory apartment. There shall be not more than two dwelling units, one of which is the accessory apartment and the other is the principal dwelling, on the lot;*
- (7) the accessory apartment complies with all applicable building, health, and safety codes for a dwelling; and*
- (8) the exterior appearance of the accessory structure maintains the essential character of the purpose for which it was originally constructed, which must be for something other than an accessory apartment, and is visually compatible with the principal dwelling unit on the same lot and with the character of the neighborhood.*

*Motion made and seconded to remove "(4)" from Section D item 4. Vote – Majority Required – Majority – Yes)
(Motion made and withdrawn to amend the article to replace the word "gross" with "habitable" throughout the article)*

(Endorsed by Planning Board 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – 2/3rd Required – 2/3rd – Yes)

Article 23 Voted to amend the Zoning By-Law by adding a new Section 145-29.2 and by amending Section 145-11, Schedule of Use Regulations, relative to Marijuana Establishments as follows:

Insert new:

§145-29.2 Marijuana Establishments

MEDICAL

See §145-2, Definitions "Medical Marijuana Off-Site Dispensary (MMOD)" and "Medical Marijuana Treatment Center (MMTC)" and §145-1 Attachment 1 - Schedule of Use Regulations.

NON-MEDICAL

1. Purpose

The purpose of this is to:

- a. Allow state-licensed non-medical marijuana establishments to locate in the Town of Belchertown in accordance with applicable state laws and regulations, specifically M.G.L. Chapter 94G (Regulation of

the Use and Distribution of Marijuana Not Medically Prescribed) and 935 CMR 500.00 "Adult-Use of Marijuana".

- b. Provide safe and effective access to recreational marijuana in the Town of Belchertown.
- c. Impose reasonable protections to govern the time, place, and manner of non-medical marijuana establishment operations to ensure public health, safety, well-being, and to limit undue damage on the natural environment as it relates to cultivation, processing and manufacturing subject to the provisions of this Zoning Bylaw, M.G.L. Chapter 40A (State Zoning Act), and M.G.L. Chapter 94G.

2. Definitions

Any term not specifically defined in the Zoning Bylaws shall have the meaning as defined 935 CMR 500.00, as such regulations may from time to time be amended.

3. Applicability

- a. *Independent testing laboratories* shall be permitted by Special Permit and Site Plan Approval in the Business Neighborhood Center (BNC), General Business (B2), and Light Industrial (LI) zones, and by Site Plan Approval in the Industrial (I) zone.
- b. *Marijuana research facilities* shall be permitted by Special Permit and Site Plan Approval in the Business Neighborhood Center (BNC), General Business (B2), and Light Industrial (LI) zones, and by Site Plan Approval in the Industrial (I) zone.
- c. *Indoor marijuana cultivators* shall be permitted by Special Permit and Site Plan Approval in the Business Neighborhood Center (BNC), General Business (B2), and Light Industrial (LI) zones, and by Site Plan Approval in the Industrial (I) zone.
- d. *Marijuana transporters* shall be permitted by Special Permit and Site Plan Approval in the Business Neighborhood Center (BNC), General Business (B2), and Light Industrial (LI) zones, and by Site Plan Approval in the Industrial (I) zone.
- e. *Marijuana product manufacturers* shall be permitted by Special Permit and Site Plan Approval in the Business Neighborhood Center (BNC) and in the Light Industrial (LI) zones, and by Site Plan Approval in the Industrial (I) zone.
- f. *Outdoor marijuana cultivators*, including greenhouses as referred to in 935 CMR 500.110(E)(1), shall be permitted only in the Primary Agriculture (Ag-A) zone by Special Permit and Site Plan Approval.
- g. *Marijuana retailers* shall be permitted by Special Permit in General Business (B2), Limited Business (B1) and Business Neighborhood Center (BNC) zones.
- h. *Social consumption* shall be permitted by Special Permit in General Business (B2), Limited Business (B1) and Business Neighborhood Center (BNC) zones, provided however that on-site social consumption of marijuana or marijuana products, as either a primary or accessory use, must first be approved by a local ballot initiative process pursuant to M.G.L. 94G §3(b).
- i. The Planning Board is the Special Permit Granting Authority for any marijuana establishment.

4. Application Requirements

Pursuant to G.L. c.44, §53G, the Planning Board may impose on all applicants, when it determines that it is necessary, reasonable fees for the employment of outside consultants, to review applications submitted in accordance with this Section of the Bylaw, and to assist the Planning Board with its review of such plans and applications.

a. Security Plan

- i. The applicant shall submit a copy of its security plan, approved by the Cannabis Control Commission as part of the issuance of a Provisional License, to the Belchertown Police Department for its review and approval.
- ii. The security plan shall meet all security requirements of 935 CMR 500.110.

b. Resource Use Plan

- i. All marijuana cultivators and marijuana product manufacturers shall submit a resource use plan to the Planning Board to demonstrate best practices for use of energy, water, waste disposal, and other common resources, and to ensure there will be no undue damage to the natural environment.
- ii. The plan shall include an electrical system overview, proposed energy demand and proposed electrical demand off-sets, ventilation system and air quality, proposed water system and utility demand.

c. Traffic Study and Circulation Plan

- i. The applicant shall submit traffic circulation plan for the site to ensure the safe movement of pedestrian and/or vehicular traffic on the site.
- ii. A traffic impact and access study shall be required for all marijuana establishments that generate 25 or more peak hour vehicle trips or 250 or more daily vehicle trips at the marijuana establishments' access to existing roadway networks. The study shall be based on standard traffic engineering guidelines developed by the Massachusetts Environmental Protection Act (MEPA). The Planning Board may require a traffic study if in their determination one is warranted because of public safety concerns.

5. Standards and Conditions

In addition to the requirements of §145-69 governing Special Permits, marijuana establishments shall be subject to the following additional standards and criteria.

- a. No marijuana establishment shall be located within five hundred feet (500') of any building housing a licensed day care center, a public or private school providing education any of grades K through 12, a public library, a public playground, or an existing place of worship such as a church, temple, mosque, or synagogue.
- b. In determining for this purpose the distance between these uses and premises licensed or to be licensed as a marijuana establishment, the distance shall be measured in a straight line from the nearest point of the daycare center, church, school, or library building, or in the case of a public playground the nearest fixed swing, slide, climbing bars, or similar equipment to the nearest point of the marijuana establishment's building, or in the case of outdoor cultivation the nearest marijuana plant.
- c. Marijuana plants, products, and paraphernalia shall not be clearly visible to a person from the exterior of a marijuana establishment. No outside storage of marijuana or marijuana products shall be permitted.
- d. All types of non-medical marijuana establishments shall be located within a fully enclosed building, except for outdoor or greenhouse cultivation in the Ag-A zone by special permit.
- e. No odor from marijuana cultivation, processing, manufacturing, or retail may be noxious or cause a nuisance, a danger to public health, or impair public comfort and convenience. Marijuana establishments shall incorporate odor control technology and safeguards to ensure that emissions do not violate Board of Health regulations adopted pursuant to MGL Chapter 111, Section 31C, including but not limited to those specified for odors.
- f. All business signage, marketing, advertising and branding shall be subject to the requirements promulgated by the Cannabis Control Commission and the requirements of §145-22 of the Belchertown Zoning Bylaw.
- g. No marijuana establishment shall be managed by any person other than the licensee or a designated manager, approved by the Cannabis Control Commission as a "registered marijuana establishment agent." Such licensee or designated manager shall be on the premise during regular hours of operation and responsible for all activities within the licensed business and shall provide emergency contact information for the Belchertown Police Department to have on file.
- h. Marijuana retailers shall be open to the public no earlier than 8:00 a.m. or later than 8:00 p.m.

- i. Marijuana establishments shall not be permitted as a Home Occupation, as defined per §145-25 in the Belchertown Zoning Bylaw.
- j. The Belchertown Fire Department shall review each application.
- k. Applications for special permits must demonstrate specifically how they meet the requirements of §145-69 of this chapter.

6. Severability

If any provision of this §145-29.2 is found to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of §145-29.2 shall not be affected but shall remain in full force. The invalidity of any provision of §145-29.2 shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Town's Zoning Bylaw.

Under "Business Uses" in Section 145.11, Schedule of Use Regulations, add the following items where PA means Site Plan Approval and SPP means Special Permit by the Planning Board:

Zone District	VR	AG-B	LR	MDR	AG-A	B-2	B-1	I	MHP	LI	BNC*
<i>48. Marijuana establishments (non-medical)</i>											
48.1 Independent testing lab	N	N	N	N	N	SPP/PA	N	PA	N	SPP/PA	SPP/PA
48.2 Indoor cultivator	N	N	N	N	N	SPP/PA	N	PA	N	SPP/PA	SPP/PA
48.3 Manufacturer	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	PA	N	SPP/PA	SPP/PA
48.4 Marijuana research facilities	N	N	N	N	N	SPP/PA	N	PA	N	SPP/PA	SPP/PA
48.5 Marijuana transporters	N	N	N	N	N	SPP/PA	N	PA	N	SPP/PA	SPP/PA
48.6 Outdoor cultivator, greenhouse	N	N	N	N	SPP/PA	N	N	N	N	N	N
48.6 Retail, social consumption	N	N	N	N	N	SPP/PA	SPP/PA	N	N	N	SPP/PA

(Endorsed by Planning Board 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – 2/3rd Required – 2/3rd Yes)

Article 24 Voted accept G.L. c.64N, § .3 and impose an excise on the retail sale of marijuana for adult use at a rate of 3%.

(Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous - Yes)

Article 25 Voted to amend the Zoning By-Law by adding to Section 145-2, Definitions, and by amending Section 145-11, Schedule of Use Regulations, relative to Alcohol Production as follows:

Add to 145-2 the definition of Alcohol Production as follows:

Alcohol Production

Brew Pub: A plant or premise licensed under MGL c. 138 §§ 12 and 19D to produce and sell malt beverages and hard cider at the location and whose primary business is the sale and preparation of food to be consumed on the premises. Malt beverages including beer, ales, and hard ciders produced on the premises may be sold to other establishments but shall not to exceed 50 percent of the establishment's production capacity.

Brewery: Any plant or premise where malt beverages are produced from the fermentation of malt with or without cereal grains or fermentable sugars, or of hops.

Farmer-brewery: Any plant or premise where malt beverages are produced from the fermentation of malt with or without cereal grains or fermentable sugars, or of hops pursuant to M.G.L. ch. 138, §19C.

Distillery: A plant or premise where distilled spirits are produced, manufactured, or distilled.

Farmer-distillery: A plant or premise where distilled spirits are produced, manufactured, or distilled with fruits, flowers, herbs, vegetables, cereal grains, or hops primarily grown on the premises for the purpose of producing alcoholic beverages and is licensed to operate as a farmer-distillery under MGL c. 139 §19E on a lot of 5 acres or more.

Winery: A plant or premise where wine is produced, rectified, blended, or fortified from fruits, flowers, herbs or vegetables.

Farmer-winery: A plant or premise where wine is produced, rectified, blended, or fortified from fruits, flowers, herbs, or vegetables primarily grown on the premises on a lot of 5 acres or more, pursuant to M.G.L. ch. 138, §19B.

Pouring Area: An area of a brewery, distillery, or winery, or a farmer-brewery, farmer-distillery, or farmer-winery, not to exceed 40 percent of the building's gross square footage. A pouring area is permitted as an accessory use. Any such facility may provide samples at no charge or sell drinks as set forth in M.G.L. c. 138 and shall have an appropriate license from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The facility may host marketing events, special events, and/or factory tours. The facility may sell beverages produced by other facilities, and commercial goods branded by the brewery, distillery, or winery. The facility may sell permitted beverages to consumers for consumption off the brewery premises. A seasonal tasting area is permissible, e.g. patio or deck, but shall not be included in calculating the tasting room's square footage for purposes of zoning compliance; however, the square footage of a seasonal tasting area is applicable to building, plumbing and other relevant codes.

Add to 145-11 "Business Uses" in the Schedule of Use Regulations:

Zone District	VR	AG-B	LR	MDR	AG-A	B-2	B-1	I	MHP	LI	BNC*
49. Alcohol Production											
49.1 Brew Pub	N	N	N	N	N	PA	SPP/PA	N	N	N	PA
49.2 Brewery, Distillery, or Winery	N	N	N	N	N	PA	SPP/PA	PA	N	N	PA
49.3 Farmer Brewery, Farmer Distillery, or Farmer Winery	N	SPP/PA	N	N	SPP/PA	PA	SPP/PA	PA	N	N	PA

Note: SPP is Special Permit by Planning Board; PA is Site Plan Approval by Planning Board; N is Not Permitted.

(Endorsed by Planning Board 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – 2/3rd Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 26 Voted in accordance with G.L. c. 59, § 38H to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into Real and Personal Property Tax Agreements with Syncarpha Solar, LLC or its affiliated entity, located at 250 W 57th Street, Suite 701, New York, NY 10107, for a period of up to twenty-five (25) years, and to approve said agreements under which Syncarpha Solar, LLC or its affiliated entity, will pay the Town a sum of money per year relative to a one hundred and one (101) acre +/- tract of land consisting of six (6) parcels located at 38 North Street, Belchertown, MA related to the proposed construction and operation of a Large-Scale Ground Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation(s) with an expected aggregate nameplate capacity of approximately 7.5 MW AC, and further to allow the Board of Selectmen to negotiate any amendments necessary to said Tax Agreements.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Majority No)
Hand count requested by seven voters (Vote Yes -106, No-49 – Majority Yes)

Article 27 Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement for payments in lieu of taxes pursuant to G.L. c. 38H or any other enabling legislation for a solar energy project(s) located or to be located on property shown on Assessor's Map 244 as Parcel 60, on such terms and conditions and for such term of years as the Board of Selectmen deem in the best interests of the Town, and to take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to implement and administer such agreement.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 28 Voted the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to (i) lease, through one or more agreements, all or a portion of the parcel of land located on Hamilton Street and known as the Belchertown Landfill, as shown on Assessor's Map 230, Parcel 35, for the installation of one or more renewable energy facilities for terms of up to 30 years; (ii) grant such easements-on, over and/or under such parcel of land as necessary or convenient to serve the facilities; and (iii) take any actions and execute any other documents or ancillary agreements necessary, convenient, or appropriate to accomplish the foregoing and to implement and administer the lease agreements and easements, all of which agreements, easements and documents shall be on such terms and conditions and for such consideration as the Board of Selectmen deems in the best interests of the Town.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 29 Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement for payments in lieu of taxes pursuant to G.L. c. 38H or any other enabling legislation for a solar energy project(s) located or to be located on property shown on Assessor's Map 230 as Parcel 35, Belchertown, MA, on such terms and conditions and for such term of years as the Board of Selectmen deem in the best interests of the Town, and to take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to implement and administer such agreement.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 30 Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to (i) lease, through one or more agreements, all or a portion of said parcel of land located on Federal Street and known as the Daigle Well Location, as shown on Assessor's Map 218, Parcel 2 for the installation of one or more renewable energy facilities for terms of up to 30 years; (ii) grant such easements on, over and/or under such parcel of land as necessary or convenient to serve the facilities; and (iii) take any actions and execute any other documents or ancillary agreements necessary, convenient, or appropriate to accomplish the foregoing and to implement and administer the lease agreements and easements, all of which agreements, easements and documents shall be on such terms and conditions and for such consideration as the Board of Selectmen deems in the best interests of the Town.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 31 Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement for payments in lieu of taxes pursuant to G.L. c. 38H or any other enabling legislation for a solar energy project(s) located or to be located on property shown on Assessor's Map 218 as Parcel 2, Belchertown, MA, on such terms and conditions and for such term of years as the Board of Selectmen deem in the best interests of the Town, and to take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to implement and administer such agreement.

(Endorsed by Finance Committee 5-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 32 Voted to accept as a public way the roadway known as Front Street, Belchertown, MA, as heretofore laid out by the Board of Selectmen and shown as "Front Street" on a plan entitled "Plan of Land in Belchertown, MA. Prepared for Town of Belchertown", dated March 2, 2018 prepared by Sherman & Frydryk, LLC Land Surveying and Engineers, recorded with the Hampshire Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 241 Page 77, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by gift, purchase, and/or eminent domain, the fee to and/or easements in Front Street for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Belchertown and any drainage, utility, access and/or other easements related thereto.

(Vote – 2/3rd Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 33 Voted to (a) authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by purchase, gift and/or eminent domain, the fee to and/or permanent and/or temporary easements for public way purposes, including without limitation, for the construction, alteration, installation, maintenance, improvement, repair, replacement and/or relocation of rights of way, sidewalks, drainage, utilities, driveways, guardrails, slope, grading, rounding, landscaping, and other appurtenances and/or facilities, to enable the Town to undertake the Route 202 Project and for any and all purposes incidental or related thereto, in, on and under certain parcels of land located on State Street, Maple Street, Turkey Hill Road, Stadler Street, Front Street, and Whitlock Way and shown more particularly on plans entitled "Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division, Plan and Profile of State Street / Maple Street (Route 202 / Route 21) in the Town of Belchertown Hampshire County", dated April 27, 2018, prepared by VHB, Inc., on file with the Town Clerk, as said plans may be amended and/or incorporated into an easement plan, and land within 100 feet of said parcels, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to submit a petition the General Court for a special act authorizing the conveyance to the Town of land and/or interests therein for the foregoing purposes in parcels of land shown on said plans and owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and/or other public agencies; (b) permanently dedicate to, and/or transfer to the Board of Selectmen for, the foregoing purposes, custody of the portions of the Town-owned parcels of land shown on said plans and identified on Assessors Map 243 as Parcels: 71, 72, 73, and 139, and on Assessors Map 250 as Parcels: 11, 11.2, 12, 13, 14, 17, 46, 55, 55.02, 57, 58, 66, 67, 139, and 199 which parcels will continue be held by the boards and/or officers currently having custody thereof for the purposes for which they are held; (c) raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, and/or borrow a sum of money to fund the foregoing and any and all costs incidental or related thereto, including, without limitation, the cost of any land/easement acquisitions; and, further, (d) authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements and take any and all actions as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate the foregoing purposes

(Vote – 2/3rd Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 34 Voted to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues the sum of \$2,500 for the administrative expenses of the Committee in FY 2019; and that the Town reserve for future appropriation from the Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues the amounts recommended by the Community preservation Committee, with each item to be considered a separate reserve:

- \$26,651.00 from FY 2019 Community Preservation Fund revenues for open Space
- \$26,651.00 from FY 2019 Community Preservation Fund revenues for Historic Resources
- \$26,651 from FY 2019 Community Preservation Fund revenues for Community Housing

and, further, appropriate and transfer \$65,500.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance to pay the debt service on the bonds issued under Article 23 of the May 9, 2016 Annual Town meeting.

(Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 35 Voted to appropriate and transfer \$9,975.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve for the grave stone preservation and restoration project at the historic Lake Vale/Hillcrest/South/Rural Cemetery, with said funds to be expended under the direction of the Veterans Graves Officer.

(Endorsed by Community Preservation Committee 8-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 36 Voted to appropriate and transfer \$10,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve for the rehabilitation of the South Cemetery and Lake Vale Cemeteries, including a field survey, installing bounds and pins, and ascertaining the exact location of burial spaces, with said funds to be expended under the direction of the Department of Public Works.

(Endorsed by Community Preservation Committee 8-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 37 Voted to appropriate and transfer \$27,700.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance for the preservation and rehabilitate of the Town gazebo, including roof work, upgrades to electrical system, insulation and other improvements, with said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

(Endorsed by Community Preservation Committee 8-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 38 Voted to appropriate and transfer \$7,400.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance for the creation of a disc golf course at the Piper Farm Recreation Area, with said funds to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Department.

(Endorsed by Community Preservation Committee 8-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Majority Yes)

Article 39 Voted to appropriate and transfer \$34,400.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance for improvements to Foley field, including leveling an area near the trails to Lake Wallace, moving current baseball field, and creating additional open field space, with said funds to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Department.

(Endorsed by Community Preservation Committee 8-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 40 Voted to appropriate and transfer \$39,900.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance for the creation of 2 outdoor pickle ball courts at the Jabish Brook Middle School, with said funds to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Department.

(Endorsed by Community Preservation Committee 8-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 41 Voted to appropriate and transfer \$1,770.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance for the installation of a fence to preserve and rehabilitate the CHCS Field area, with said funds to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Department.

(Endorsed by Community Preservation Committee 8-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 42 Voted to appropriate and transfer \$8,700.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance for the installation of a public address system on the Town gazebo, with said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen

(Endorsed by Community Preservation Committee 8-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 43 Voted to appropriate and transfer \$22,500.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance for the preservation and rehabilitation of the historic Washington District Schoolhouse and the Sentinel Building, both owned by the Belchertown Historical Association, by painting and adding long-lasting UV protectant coating, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a grant agreement with said Association setting forth the terms of the grant, including the grant of a preservation restriction to the Town.

(Endorsed by Community Preservation Committee 8-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 44 Voted to appropriate and transfer \$24,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance for the preservation and rehabilitation of the Washington District Historic Schoolhouse, owned by the Belchertown Historical Association, including the installation of a new roof, shingles, windows, door, and replacing any trim, siding, and/or casings, among other improvements, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a grant agreement with said Association setting forth the terms of the grant, including the grant of a preservation restriction to the Town.

(Endorsed by Community Preservation Committee 8-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 45 Voted to appropriate and transfer \$25,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance for the initial design, engineering, and construction of a recreational trail to be created on the Town-owned property at Foley Field, with said funds to be expended under the direction of the Town Planner.

(Endorsed by Community Preservation Committee 8-0-0 Yes) (Vote – Majority Required - Unanimous Yes)

Article 46 Voted to transfer \$50,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Open Space Reserve and \$80,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance, for a total appropriation of \$130,000.00 and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, gift and/or eminent domain, for conservation and passive recreation purposes under the provisions of Massachusetts Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8C and other statutes related to conservation, the parcels of land known collectively as the Mader Town Forest, consisting of a total of 86 acres, more or less, together with all flowage and other rights and easements, and shown on Assessors Maps 107 as Lot #27.01, on Map 226 as Lot #37.00, and on Map 231 as Lot #45.00, which parcels shall be managed and controlled by the Conservation Commission under said Chapter 40, Section 8C; and to appropriate and transfer from available funds and/or borrow a sum of money to fund said acquisition and costs related thereto, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow said funds under the provisions of G.L. c.44B, G.L. c.44 and/or any other enabling authority and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, provided that no such funds shall be expended until the Town shall have received gifts and/or grants as set forth below; and, further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or the Conservation Commission to file applications for grants for reimbursement on behalf of the Town under the Self-Help Act, G.L. Ch. 132A, Section 11 (now, so-called LAND grants) and/or any other state and/or federal programs, including those in aid of conservation land acquisition, to accept said funds for the purposes set forth herein, to grant a restriction on said property meeting the requirements of G.L. c. 184, §§31-33 in compliance with G.L. c.44B, §12(a), and to enter into any and all agreements and execute any and all instruments on behalf of the Town as may be necessary or convenient to effectuate the foregoing acquisition,

(Endorsed by Community Preservation Committee 8-0-0 Yes) (Vote – 2/3rd Required – Unanimous Yes)

Article 48 *Citizens Petition* – Voted “Kopec Avenue” to be the legally recognized street name as has been used and posted for over 50 years. (replaces Kopic Ave)

(Vote – Majority Required – Unanimous Yes)

Meeting adjourned at 11:01 p.m.

Attest:

Colleen K. Toothill-Berte
Town Clerk



CERTIFICATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD MAY 14, 2018

FY 19

ARTICLE #	BUDGET OR DEPT	TOTAL APPROPRIATION	FROM TAX LEVY	BORROWING	FREE CASH	FROM STABILIZATION	FROM OTHER AVAILABLE FUNDS
1-3	None						
4	Assessors-Legal Counsel in resolving court tax cases	\$100.00	\$100.00				
5	Reserve Fund for Finance Committee use	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00				
6	None						
7	Cemetery Lot Development Account	\$5,000.00					5,000.00 from the Sale of Cemetery Lots Account to Cemetery Lot Development Account
8	None						
9	Itemized Budget						
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT (Total)	\$2,054,949.00					
	1 Moderator, Salary		\$0.00				
	Expenses		\$0.00				
	2 Board of Selectmen - Salary		\$12,600.00				
	Expenses		\$4,968.00				
	3 Town Administrator, Salary		\$121,853.00				
	Wages		\$131,070.00				
	Expenses		\$8,944.00				
	4 Town Accountant, Salary		\$82,806.00				
	Wages		\$126,775.00				
	Expenses		\$31,950.00				
	5 Town Clerk, Salary		\$75,968.00				
	Wages		\$65,570.00				
	Expenses		\$10,040.00				
	6 Treasurer/Tax Collector, Salary		\$82,806.00				
	Wages		\$189,195.00				
	Expenses		\$53,875.00				
	7 M.I.S. Department, Salary		\$94,315.00				
	Wages		\$98,297.00				
	Expenses		\$186,635.00				
	8 Board of Assessors		\$0.00				
	Assessors (Elected)		\$3,200.00				
	Assessor (Salary)		\$92,806.00				
	Wages		\$229,320.00				
	Expenses		\$27,280.00				
	Field Review Update		\$0.00				
	9 Law Account, Fees		\$85,300.00				
	10 Finance Committee, Wages		\$0.00				
	Expenses		\$250.00				
	11 Election & Registration, Salary		\$500.00				
	Wages		\$25,234.00				
	Expenses		\$17,300.00				
	12 Planning Board, Salary		\$82,547.00				
	Wages		\$15,305.00				
	Expenses		\$3,180.00				
	13 Board of Appeals, Wages		\$2,300.00				



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	Board of Appeal, Expenses		\$450.00				
14	Economic Development (C., Expenses		\$390.00				
15	Chapter 137 Military Leave Pay, Expenses		\$100.00				
16	Cable Access TV Oper., Expenses		\$1,500.00				
17	Agricultural Commission, Expenses		\$500.00				
18	Conservation Commission, Salary		\$67,495.00				\$5,000 from Wetlands Hearings Fees Account to the Conservation Commission Salary Account
	Wages		\$7,733.00				
	Expenses		\$2,560.00				
18A	Lakes Committee, Expenses		\$17,000.00				
	PUBLIC SAFETY	\$4,288,856.00					
19	Police Department, Salary		\$216,512.00				
	Wages		\$1,702,145.00				
	Expenses		\$370,576.00				
20	Fire Department, Salary		\$101,544.00				
	Wages		\$364,410.00				\$900,000 from Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account
	Expenses		\$315,898.00				
21	Injured on Duty, Expenses		\$8,000.00				
22	Hydrant Service, Expenses		\$27,456.00				
23	Dog Officer Salary		\$52,170.00				
	Wages		\$35,610.00				
	Expenses		\$13,375.00				
24	Inspection Services, Salary		\$80,591.00				
	Wages		\$84,565.00				
	Expenses		\$14,444.00				
25	Civil Defense, Wages		\$350.00				
	Expenses		\$1,210.00				
	PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$29,170,164.00					
26	Town School Department						
	Foundation Spending		\$28,670,011.00		\$352,344.00		
	Transport. & Fixed Assets		\$2,147,809.00				
	REGIONAL SCHOOL DEPARTMENT	\$1,416,004.00					
27	Pathfinder Reg. Voc. Tech High School District						
	Net Budget		\$1,416,004.00				
	DPW - Highways	\$1,307,059.00					
28	Highways/Personnel						
	Salary		\$110,154.00				
	Wages		\$777,660.00				
	Uniforms		\$14,300.00				
	Expenses		\$1,200.00				
29	Highway Admin. Expenses		\$20,570.00				
30	Snow & Ice Control, Expenses		\$242,000.00				
31	DPW-Road Machinery, Expenses		\$184,500.00				



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32	Hired Services, Expenses		\$233,500.00				
33	Street Lighting, Expenses		\$38,200.00				
34	Streets/Construction, Expenses		\$170,500.00				
35	Professional Engineering, Expenses		\$78,390.00				
36	Town Garage, Expenses		\$36,085.00				
	SANITATION & ENVIRONMENTAL						
37	Transfer Station (Total)	\$2,205,633.00					
	Wages		\$0.00				\$85,650 from Landfill Receipts
	Expenses		\$0.00				\$198,100 from Landfill Receipts, 32,777 from Landfill Enterprise free cash
	Hazardous Waste Day		\$0.00				
38	Sewer Enterprise Fund Wages		\$0.00				\$18,029 from Sewer Receipts, \$279,671 from Sewer Free Cash
	Expenses		\$0.00				\$683,024 from Sewer Receipts
	Maturing Debt		\$0.00				\$858,367 from Sewer Receipts
	Maturing Debt Interest		\$0.00				\$50,015 from Sewer Receipts
	HUMAN SERVICES (Total)	\$955,194.00					
39	Board of Health, Salary						
	Wages		\$2,825.00				
	Expenses		\$32,540.00				
40	Council on Aging, Salary		\$11,566.00				
	Wages		\$74,083.00				
	Expenses		\$446,565.00				
41	Veterans Services		\$38,250.00				
	Agent Salary						
	Wages		\$74,510.00				
	Expenses		\$850.00				
	Veterans Benefits		\$2,080.00				
42	Veterans Graves - Expenses		\$241,000.00				
43	DPW - Cemetery Department, Expenses		\$2,625.00				
44	Mobile Home/Rent Control Board, Expenses		\$28,200.00				
	CULTURE AND RECREATION	\$823,960.00					
45	Clapp Memorial Library, Salary		\$100.00				
	Wages		\$80,591.00				
	Expenses		\$294,440.00				
46	Parks and Recreation, Salary		\$123,600.00				
	Wages		\$75,744.00				
	Expenses		\$209,650.00				
47	Parks & Recreation Pool, Expenses		\$5,610.00				
48	Parks & Recreation Beach, Expenses		\$32,775.00				
49	Family Center, Expenses		\$1,550.00				
	DPW - BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS (Total)	\$776,200.00					
50	DPW Maintenance/Grounds, Wages		\$392,230.00				
	Expenses		\$58,465.00				



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51	DPW-Lawrence Memorial Hall, Expenses		\$53,320.00				
52	DPW-Town Common, Expenses		\$5,550.00				
53	DPW-Town Clock, Wages		\$500.00				
54	DPW-Finnerty House		\$7,970.00				
55	DPW-Old Town Hall, Expenses		\$7,475.00				
56	DPW-Senior Center Bldg, Expenses		\$44,830.00				
57	DPW-Recreation Bldg, Expenses		\$17,425.00				
58	DPW-Police Station, Expenses		\$50,325.00				
59	DPW-EMS Bldg, Expenses		\$10,560.00				
60	DPW-Freedom Center, Expenses		\$16,300.00				
61	DPW-Fire Station, Expenses		\$38,190.00				
62	DPW-Franklin School Bldg, Expenses		\$8,640.00				
63	DPW-Tagell/MEMA Space, Expenses		\$22,621.00				
64	Animal Control Building		\$11,699.00				
	PENSIONS AND INSURANCE	\$4,642,072.00					
65	General Insurance, Expenses		\$47,875.00		\$352,344.00		
66	Unemployment Insurance, Expenses		\$15,000.00				
68	Workers Compensation Insurance, Expenses		\$8,000.00				
69	Health Insurance, Expenses		\$1,185,866.00				
70	Group Life Insurance, Expenses		\$4,548.00				
71	FICA-Medicare-Town Share, Expenses		\$120,656.00				
72	Pensions, Expenses		\$2,907,783.00				
	UNCLASSIFIED ACCOUNTS	\$59,498.00					
73	Historical Commission, Expenses		\$500.00				
74	Historical District, Expenses		\$348.00				
75	Patriotic Exercises, Expenses		\$300.00				
76	Printing Annual Reports, Expenses		\$2,000.00				
77	Unclassified Accts, Expenses		\$56,350.00				
	INTEREST & MATURING DEBT	\$2,422,500.00					
78	Interest, Expenses		\$392,500.00				
79	Maturing Debt, Expenses		\$2,030,000.00				
	COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS	\$3,750.00					
80	Council of Governments, Assessment		\$3,750.00				
10 - 11	None						
12	Payment for OPEB (Other Post Employment Benefits)	\$50,000.00			\$50,000.00		
13	None						
14	Capital Projects	\$2,160,000.00					
	Fire Dept. Truck			\$545,000.00			
	DPW Truck			\$225,000.00			
	Fire Dept. Breathing Apparatus			\$250,000.00			
	DPW Tractor/Mower			\$100,000.00			
	School Dept. Boiler (Swift River), purchase and install			\$82,000.00			
	School Dept. Boiler (BHS), purchase and install			\$110,000.00			



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	School Dept. Cooling Tower (CHCS) purchase and install			\$100,000.00			
	DPW - Town Hall Parking Lot Reconstruction			\$290,000.00			
	DPW - Town Beach Parking Lot Reconstruction			\$50,000.00			
	School Dept. Oil Tank Removal and Disposal			\$263,000.00			
	School Dept. Outdoor Track Resurfacing			\$110,000.00			
	Police Dept. Roof Repair			\$35,000.00			
15	School Department Underground Storage Tank Removal (CHCS)	\$263,000.00				\$263,000.00	
16	Police Dept. replacement of Roof	\$35,000.00				\$35,000.00	
17-19	None						
20	Belchertown Community Channel	\$215,000.00					
	Operations						\$90,000 from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund
	Equipment and Capital Projects						\$125,000 from PEG Access and Cable Related Fund
21-23	None						
34	Community Preservation Admin Expense	\$2,500.00					\$2,500.00 from FY19 Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues
	Community Preservation Fund - Open Space	\$26,651.00					\$26,651 from FY19 Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues
	Community Preservation Fund - Historic Resources	\$26,651.00					\$26,651 from FY19 Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues
	Community Preservation Fund - Community Housing	\$26,651.00					\$26,651 from FY19 Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues
	Pay CPA debt service on bonds voted under Art. 23 @ May 9, 2016 Annual Town Mtg	\$65,500.00					\$65,500.00 from Community Preservation Fund Balance
35	Grave stone preservation and restoration at Lake Vale/Hillcrest/South and Rural Cemeteries	\$9,975.00					\$9,975.00 from the Community Preservation Historic Resources
36	Rehabilitation of the South Cemetery and Lake Vale Cemetery	\$10,000.00					\$10,000 from the Community Preservation Historic Resources
37	Preservation and rehabilitation of the Town Gazebo	\$27,700.00					\$27,700 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance
38	Creation of a Disc Golf Course at the Piper Farm Recreation Area	\$7,400.00					\$7,400 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance
39	Improvements to Foley Field	\$34,400.00					\$34,400 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance
40	Creation of 2 outdoor Pickle Ball Courts at Jabish Brook Middle School	\$39,900.00					\$39,900 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance
41	Installation of a fence to preserve and rehabilitate the CHCS Field	\$1,770.00					\$1,770 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance
42	Installation of a Public Address System at the Town Gazebo	\$8,700.00					\$8,700 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance
43	Painting and application of long-lasting UV protectant coating to the Washington District Schoolhouse and the Sentinel Building	\$22,500.00					\$22,500 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance
44	Preservation and rehabilitation of the Washington District Schoolhouse	\$24,000.00					\$24,000 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance
45	Creation of a Recreational Trail on the Foley Field property	\$25,000.00					\$25,000 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance
46	Purchase conservation land known as Mader Town Forest, Assessor Map 107 Lot 27 01; Map 226 Lot 37 00; Map 231 Lot 45 00	\$130,000.00					\$50,000 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance Open Space Reserve and \$80,000 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance
47	Cultural programming support for the Belchertown Cultural Council	\$4,000.00			\$4,000.00		
48	None						
TOTAL		\$53,977,237.00	\$46,940,618.00	\$2,160,000.00	\$758,688.00	\$298,000.00	\$3,819,931.00
	Attest:						
	Colleen K. Toothill-Berte, Town Clerk						



Actions taken at the Special Town Meeting held August 20, 2018 at the Belchertown High School Veterans' Auditorium

Moderator – Joseph Bernard

Meeting called to order 7:38pm

Registered voters present 355 – (Quorum requires 75)

Town Moderator, Joseph Bernard, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance

(Amended Motions were received by the Town of Belchertown on August 20, 2018 prior to the start of the Special Town Meeting. Moderator conferred with Town Council and decision was made to proceed with amended articles.)

Article 1

Citizens Petition - Voted not to reverse the Towns prior authorization to the Board of Selectmen to enter into Real and Personal Property Tax Agreements with Syncarpha Solar, LLC, or its affiliated entity relative to a one hundred and one (101) acre +/- tract of land consisting of six (6) parcels of land located at 38 North Street, Belchertown, MA related to the proposed construction and operation of a commercial Large-Scale Ground Mounted Solar Photovoltaic installations(s) with an expected aggregate nameplate capacity of approximately 7.5 MW AC.

After some discussion a motion was made and seconded to move the question. Moderator indicated that he chose not to entertain the motion. Town Council explained that it is the Moderators decision whether or not to allow more discussion or move the question. More discussion ensued.

A second motion was made and seconded to move the question. Again, the Moderator explained that he would not be choosing to entertain the motion and discussion continued.

A third motion was made and seconded to move the question. The Town Council asked to have the motion removed and continue on with process of voting.

Voice vote was called and moderator indicated it was too close to call and called for a hand count.
(Vote – Majority Required – 153-Yes, 162-No Did not pass)

Article 2

Citizens Petition - Voted the Town direct the Board of Selectmen to submit to the Planning Board, for its consideration at a public hearing pursuant to MGL ch. 40A, Section 5, a proposal to amend chapter 145-28(B) to add the following thereto: “(3) Under no circumstances shall a special permit be issued hereunder for a solar photovoltaic installation on forested land if the construction of said installation will require land clearing of four (4) acres or more.

Town Council advised articles 2 and 3 are non-binding and advisory only.

After some discussion, motion made and seconded to move the question.

(Vote on motion to move the question - Majority Required - Majority Yes)

(Vote – Majority Required – Majority Yes)

Article 3

Citizens Petition - Voted the Town direct the Board of Selectmen to submit to the Planning Board, for its consideration at a public hearing pursuant to MGL ch. 40A, Section 5, a proposal to amend chapter 145-28(B) to add the following thereto: “(4) Under no circumstances shall a special permit be issued hereunder for a commercial solar photovoltaic installation, if there exists, or a permit has been issued or requested for, a commercial solar photovoltaic installation, and any portion of such preexisting (or previously proposed) installation is sited within a two mile radius of the proposed installation.

Moderator explained this was a non-binding article and simply a referral to the Planning Board.

(Vote – Majority Required – Majority Yes)

Meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Attest:

Colleen K. Toothill-Berte

Town Clerk

